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SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG

BREMER KIDNAPPING

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Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 818
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

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This is to advise you that informant [redacted] at [redacted] enroute to Hurley, Wisconsin, and Ironwood, Michigan, where she will endeavor to obtain information from [redacted] concerning the present whereabouts of C. J. FITZGERALD.

[redacted] will endeavor to ascertain the identity of the individuals who visited Frank Vicski at Hurley, Wisconsin, during July 1935, as information is to the effect that BELLE BORN met these persons in Chicago, Illinois, and drove them to Hurley, Wisconsin.

[redacted] will further endeavor to secure information from [redacted] as to contacts made by BELLE BORN in Chicago in June 1935, with particular reference as to whether she met FITZGERALD or other fugitives in this case, and in general [redacted] will endeavor to secure information which might be helpful in this case.

She will return to St. Paul on November 4, 1935, at which time she will be interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Suran, and you will be promptly advised of any information obtained.

Very truly yours,

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H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 115,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
Nov. 1, 1935.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1818, FUGITIVE, ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to the letter addressed to you by the Cleveland Office under date of Oct. 23, 1935, referring to certain information concerning a contact of ALVIN KARPIS in Europe.

It is noted in this letter that Clarence Heberbrand, William Mitchell, and William Fergus of Cleveland, Ohio, are presently reported to be somewhere in Europe. The suggestion is made in the event it has not already been done, that inquiry be made of the State Department in Washington, D. C. in an effort to ascertain to what point in Europe these individuals may have proceeded.

It is further suggested that perhaps if it is determined what time these individuals will return to the United States from Europe, an investigation at the point of disembarkation might result in determining exactly what points these individuals visited in Europe, other than shown by the records of the State Department, as no doubt their passports will be examined by the immigration officials, and might possibly bear endorsements showing the itinerary of these individuals in Europe. It is not known whether this is done on passports, but it is believed that inquiry should be made concerning same.

Very truly yours,

7-576-7892

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; etal
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of the file indicates an undeveloped lead contained in the report of Special Agent H. B. Fletcher, dated October 11, 1935, setting out investigation as to John Badaracco in order to determine whether he is a contact of William Elmer Meade. The report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, New York, N.Y. dated October 3, 1935, requests discreet interviews with Herbert Callahan, attorney, and Frankie Duris, Westminister Hotel, both of Boston, Mass., with a view to securing data concerning Thomas O'Dell, a close associate of William Elmer Meade, which might be helpful in locating the latter individual. This report also requests appropriate inquiries at the home of Edward O'Dell of Lowell, Massachusetts in an effort to learn the location of Thomas O'Dell, his brother, which might lead to the apprehension of Meade.

It is desired that the above investigation be given immediate attention and that your office submit reports in this case at least twice monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1300 Liberty Trust Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

October 31, 1935.

Hon. Charles D. McAvoy,
U. S. Attorney,
Federal Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

ATTN; Mr. Thomas J. Reilly
Assistant U. S. Attorney

Dear Sir:-

With reference to our conversation relative to the presentment of the petition to Judge Welsh for the purpose of having Buick Sedan, Motor #42949155, Serial #2783525 delivered into the custody of the U. S. Marshal of Philadelphia, for public sale, may I advise you that this car was purchased by Leroy Morrison from the Unger Buick Company, Miami, Florida.

As you will recall, this car was purchased by Morrison as a straw man for Alvin Karpis and this car later was abandoned by Karpis in Atlantic City, N. J. January 20, 1935, subsequent to which time a petition was signed by Judge Welsh, turning this car over to this Bureau.

Apparently, I gave you to understand that a similar proceeding had been instigated by another field office of this Bureau. However, to my knowledge I know of no petition or Court Order requesting the Marshal to dispose of the car at Public Sales in a case of this nature.

If there is any further information which you desire, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edward George O'Brien

P. O. Box 64
Buffalo, New York

November 1, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 512
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.C. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.C. 1222;
MARRY CARROLL with aliases, I.C. 1226;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.C. 1230; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. Chicago File 7-82.

On September 26th, 1935, Constable Frank Reavely, Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada, stated that a man's body had been washed on the shores of Crystal Beach, Ontario from Lake Erie; that the hands and feet were missing; that no clothes were on the body; that no hair was present; that his height appeared to be five feet eight inches to eight and one-half inches; that the weight would be between one hundred fifty to one hundred sixty pounds; thick chested; well shaped head rounded at the back with a receding forehead; jaws broad.

Constable Reavely further stated that there was quite a bit of fat present; that there was a cut on the right side of the abdomen giving the appearance of a wound or appendicetomy; that the eyes were gone; that the body was decomposed so badly that the only identification which could be reliable would be the dental work, which was carefully checked by Dr. G. E. Teal, Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada.

Dr. G. E. Teal stated that a report of dental survey showed:

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Upper right second Molar Occlusal Amalgam filling
Upper right first Molar extracted (A number)
Upper right second Bicuspid Gold Shell Crown
Upper right first Bicuspid apparently quite recently extracted (within four months of death)

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Upper right Cuspid carrying a Gold Shell Crown with Lateral swing in, Steele's facing
Upper Centrals and left Lateral normal
Upper left Cuspid, Carmichal attachment supporting two Bicuspids with a three-quarter Shell Crown on first Molar - Bicuspids - Pontier. Dr. Teal was of the opinion that this unusual dental work would be the best characteristic by which the body may be identified.
Upper left second molar Mesial-Occlusal Amalgam filling
Lower right first and second Molars extracted
Lower right second Bicuspid Occulusal filling - Amalgam
Lower left first and second Molars extracted
Lower left third Molar Occlusal Amalgam filling and small Buccal Amalgam filling
Apparently, lower right Cuspid area over-shot and there is a possibility that the entire lower are protruded
Remainder of lower teeth were apparently in place but are now missing

Dr. Teal further stated that he was of the opinion that the hands and feet had been fastened with some brittle substance such as wire, and, as the body began to decompose, the swelling of tissue around the fastened part of the hands and feet forced the joint to be severed; that, due to the weight of the head, it is usually the first part to leave the body; that, while the body was decomposed to some extent, he could not otherwise explain the hands and feet being missing.

Dr. G. R. Stewart, Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada, who made an examination of the body, stated that the length of the Tibia was fifteen inches; that the length of the Fibula was fifteen and one-half inches; that the length of the Radius was nine and three-fourths inches; that the estimated length of the body was five feet eight to eight and one-half inches; that the length of the body from top of head to ankle was five feet six and one-half inches; that he had been dead at least four months and possibly a year; that the split, open on right side of abdomen resembling an appendectomy, was the only indication of external violence.

Dr. Stewart further stated that it was rather unusual that the hands and feet would be missing in that decomposition is more irregular and usually one entire side of the body decomposes first; that the chest is the portion of the body which is more susceptable to decomposition; that the head is usually the part to leave the body first due to its weight; that it was highly possible that the feet and

hands of this man were tied to some weight and it was not until decomposition, assisted by the force of the water down the stream, that resulted in the loosening of the body from the weight and thus permitting the corpse to float; that, owing to the flow of Lake Erie, the body would have had to have planted West of Crystal Beach where it was found.

Roy Boughner, Undertaker, Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada, stated that the only possible means of identification would be the teeth as the body was in such a bad shape when received by him that he buried it at Ridgeway without an examination or preparation.

The teeth, which were extracted, are being forwarded to the Chicago office under separate cover, and it is desired that they be returned to the Buffalo office when they have served their purpose.

As Dr. W. C. Steele is a dentist and a friend of Moran, whom Moran asked to occupy adjoining offices in Chicago, Illinois, it is believed that Dr. Steele could furnish information as to whether or not these teeth were those of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, (see report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 3rd, 1934, and the report of Special Agent F. C. Tillman, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 22nd, 1935, page 19).

Very truly yours,

S. V. DOHERTY
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
St. Paul
Cleveland

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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November 6, 1935

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Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Walsh
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Death of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

You will recall that the Bureau has been advised on numerous occasions of the death of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, the advice being, in effect, that he was murdered and his body thrown in Lake Erie.

The Bureau is in receipt of a copy of a letter from the Buffalo Office to the Chicago Office dated November 1, 1935, advising that on September 26, 1935, the body of an unidentified man was washed upon the shores at Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada from Lake Erie. In the belief that this may be the body of Dr. Moran, Agents have obtained the teeth from this body and forwarded the same to the Chicago Office, requesting investigation through dentists who were known to Dr. Moran. This body was badly decomposed, the hands and feet being missing. A very complete description of the teeth has been obtained and it is believed that if this body is identical with that of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, it will be a rather simple matter to make an identification through the teeth.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

K. R. McIntire

This is very interesting.
J. E. H.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 1st, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS,
with aliases, et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 30, 1935, bearing number 7-576.

Please be advised that the Underwood Portable Typewriter, serial #596064, found at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, on Saturday, September 8, 1935, has been received from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
October 31, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two snap shots of the burial place of the Barker family near Welch, Craig County, Oklahoma, which I thought you might be interested in.

The large marker is at the grave of Herman Barker, the eldest of the Barker brothers. Kate Barker, his mother, is placed next to Herman and Fred Barker, to the right of his mother, the latter two being indicated by the two small markers at the head of each grave.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

cc: St. Paul
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TITLE:	CHARACTER OF CASE:
ALVIN KARPIS, with Aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM;	KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] advises that RICHARD DALTON, probably of Meridian, Miss., informed him he knew KARPIS was in Mexico. Information obtained from Colts Patent Firearms Mfg. Co. and Winchester Repeating Arms Co. as to disposition of certain guns sold by them. Mrs. Sadie Wolf, Brooklyn, N.Y., who operates a summer place at Saratoga Springs, N.Y., advises she is certain no one in her house during the past summer tipped KARPIS off, and that the only information anyone probably obtained about KARPIS was from the newspaper stories which stated that KARPIS was in Saratoga Springs that summer. Mr. SAMUEL COOPER has lived with his father-in-law at 810 E. 8th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. for the past 6 or 8 months, and owns ½ interest in a vacuum cleaner company with his father-in-law, Harry Sheffron.

DETAILS:

REFERENCE: Reports of: Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York City, dated 10/3/35; Special Agent H.B. Fletcher, Boston, Mass., dated 10/11/35; Special Agent P. J. Cotter, Buffalo, N.Y., dated 10/10/35 Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated 10/11/35, and Bureau letter to N.Y.Office, dated 10/26/35.

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DETAILS: [redacted]

[redacted] Assistant to [redacted] Attorney General, that he had certain information to the effect that ALVIN KARPIS is in hiding in Mexico. It was requested that [redacted] be interviewed with reference to this information.

[redacted] recently under investigation as an applicant for a departmental position, was interviewed at his office, [redacted] and he advised that in August of 1935, RICHARD E. DALTON, also known as DICK DALTON, of the old DALTON and JESSE JAMES gang, was telling him of some of his old experiences during his earlier life, and also advised him that he had spent several years in a penitentiary at one time.

[redacted] stated that he mentioned to DALTON that he, DALTON, should have some valuable information about some of the famous criminals of today, and DALTON answered that he did. [redacted] advised that at that point he asked DALTON if he knew where ALVIN KARPIS was, and DALTON at once stated, "Yes, he is in Mexico". [redacted] stated that he was afraid to go further with DALTON in this matter as to the location of ALVIN KARPIS.

[redacted] stated that DALTON was in New York at the time trying to sell some stock in an oil well, and he understood that DALTON came from some town in Mississippi but he did not know the name of the town. However, he recalled that DALTON was staying at the Great Northern Hotel on 57th Street while in New York City, and that DALTON told him that when he left New York City, he was going to Saratoga Springs to see Col. BRADLEY for a few days before returning South; that DALTON advised him that his (DALTON'S) wife was a cousin of the late Senator HUEY LONG.

[redacted] gave the following description of DALTON:

Age:	64 yrs.
Height:	6'
Weight:	225 lbs.
Face:	Full

[redacted] was unable to give any further information as to the location of KARPIS or where to get in touch with Mr. DALTON.

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He advised that he wished that his name not be mentioned in this matter, and that it be kept absolutely confidential. [redacted] is of the opinion that DALTON would not be willing to give the Government any information, and that it would be difficult to get any information out of him, as he stated to him [redacted] that he was not a "cop" and would not furnish any information to "cops".

Mr. TIERMAN, Assistant Manager of the Great Northern Hotel, 118 West 57th Street, New York City, advised that the records of that hotel reflect that R. C. DALTON or R. E. DALTON registered at that hotel with his wife on July 21, 1935, and checked out on August 7, 1935; that DALTON and his wife were again registered at the hotel from August 17th to August 20th, 1935; that DALTON returned to the hotel with his wife on August 27th and remained until August 30th, 1935, when he checked out and has not returned. DALTON did not leave a forwarding address at the time he checked out. On each occasion DALTON registered at this hotel, he gave the name of Meridian, Mississippi as his home.

Mr. TIERMAN stated that from conversation with DALTON, he understood DALTON was in New York City trying to sell some kind of oil stock. When DALTON checked out of the hotel on August 30, 1935, he understood that DALTON was going up to Saratoga Springs, New York, for a few days. Mr. TIERMAN stated that DALTON was known around the hotel as Col. DALTON.

In the report of reference of Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated October 14, 1935, request was made to trace certain guns which were found in the possession of WILLIAM WEAVER at the time of his apprehension at Allandale, Florida, on September 1, 1935.

On October 22, 1935, a letter was directed to the Colts Patent Firearms Manufacturing Company at Hartford, Conn., requesting information pertaining to the disposition of these guns.

Under date of October 23, 1935, this company advised that the .380 Colt automatic pistol #113038 had been shipped to the Brown-Camp Hardware Company of Des Moines, Iowa, on February 8, 1932; that the .380 Colt automatic pistol #112352 had been shipped to the Schaw-Batcher Company of Sacramento, California, on January 26, 1932, and that the .45 calibre Colt automatic pistol #345132 had been purchased by the U. S. Government and shipped to the Bush Terminal, Brooklyn, New York, on June 25, 1918.

By telephone it was ascertained from CLYDE WHITLATCH, Assistant in the Ordnance Officer's Office, Second Area, Governors Island, New York City, Telephone: Whitehall 4-8010, that guns shipped to the Bush Terminal in 1918 were for the War Department, and that in his office at the present time did not have any records of these guns; that the only place to get such information, would be from the War Department.

On October 22, 1935, a letter was directed to the Winchester Repeating Arms Company at New Haven, Conn., requesting information from that company with reference to a Winchester shotgun model 42, Serial #3489.

Under date of October 25, 1935, the Winchester Repeating Arms Company advised by letter that Winchester slide action 410 gauge pump shotgun, model 42, Serial #3489 had been sold on June 29, 1933 to the Luthe Hardware Company, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. SADIE WOLF, 1570 President Street, Brooklyn, New York, advised that during the summer months she operates the Greenland House at 60 Franklin Street, Saratoga Springs, New York; that she has probably 40 guests in her house at one time, and during the course of the summer had over 200 guests; that she is unable to tell where all her guests come from or what work they do. She advised that she does not recall any of her guests as having operated a concession at Riley's.

However, she stated that Mr. LEWIS BRAY, who lived at her house during the past summer, operated a hat checking concession at Jack's Night Club on Columbus Street, Saratoga Springs, New York; that this is a club solely for colored people. She recalled that some other man lived at her house for a short time who worked for the Chicago Club on Woodlawn Avenue, for a few days, but she was unable to recall his name.

Mrs. WOLF was questioned about having heard any remarks concerning KARPIS' presence in Saratoga Springs last summer, and whether or not some persons at her house tipped KARPIS off that officers were in Saratoga Springs looking for him. She advised that several newspaper stories came out to the effect that KARPIS was in Saratoga Springs, and that it was common gossip around her house, as well as elsewhere in Saratoga Springs, that the #1 Public Enemy had been in that vicinity.

She further recalled the fact that during a conversation one evening with Mr. BRAY in the presence of other guests, Mr. BRAY made the remark that KARPIS had been living in Saratoga Springs and had gotten away from the officers looking for him, but that she believed merely that Mr. BRAY had been reading the newspapers and made the remark during the course of conversation, as she and he were at that time talking about some deputy sheriff in Saratoga Springs who had that day embarrassed her at the railroad station, and that BRAY had stated to her that if the officers paid more attention to catching criminals than embarrassing respectable women, they would get better results.

Mrs. WOLF stated that all information in the possession of Mr. BRAY had been obtained from newspaper stories, and that he did not have any facts as to the whereabouts of KARPIS and knew nothing about tipping KARPIS off if KARPIS really had been in Saratoga Springs. She stated that if anyone in her house tipped KARPIS off, she never heard anything about it. Mrs. WOLF was unable to furnish Mr. BRAY'S address, stating that she only knew he came from New York City, and that he seemed to be a very respectable man. Mrs. WOLF seemed very anxious to furnish any information she had, and stated that if she ever received any information concerning KARPIS' whereabouts, she would at once notify the New York Bureau Office and have him arrested as she considers this the duty of every law-abiding citizen.

Mr. NEISTEIN, who operates a hardware store at 4523 Avenue D, which is not far from 810 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, New York, was interviewed under a suitable pretext, and advised that a Mr. HARRY SHEFFRON, a plumber, had lived at 810 East 8th Street for several years; that Mr. SAMUEL COOPER, a son-in-law of Mr. SHEFFRON, has lived at this address for the past several months; that Mr. SHEFFRON also has another son-in-law who lives with him; that one of the sons-in-law works for a steamship company, and that the other is with a vacuum cleaner company, but he was not certain whether Mr. COOPER was the one with the vacuum cleaner company or not; however, it was his opinion that that was Mr. COOPER'S business. He stated that S. H. Vacuum Cleaner Company, of 1314 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, was the name of the company, and that Mr. SHEFFRON owned a one-half interest with whichever son-in-law aided in conducting his business.

Mr. Isadore Blau, mail carrier for 810 East 8th St., Brooklyn, New York, was interviewed at the Rugby Substation, 1806 Church Street, Brooklyn, New York, and advised that Mr. HARRY SHEFFRON a plumber, had been living at 810 East 8th Street for several years; that 810 East 8th Street is a one-family house; that for the past six or eight months a Mr. SAMUEL COOPER has been living at this address; that he understands COOPER is a son-in-law of SHEFFRON. Mr. Blau was unable to furnish information as to what kind of work Mr. COOPER did; however, he stated COOPER was a Jew.

Mr. Blau was requested to ascertain Mr. COOPER'S business in a discreet way, and subsequently, when Agent called the Rugby Substation by telephone, Mr. H. Fernandez, Superintendent of the Post Office, advised that Mr. Blau had ascertained that Mr. COOPER was in business with his father-in-law, and operated the S. H. Vacuum Cleaner Company, Brooklyn, New York; that COOPER goes to work regularly every morning and returns home every evening.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, at MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI, will attempt to locate RICHARD C. or RICHARD E. DALTON, who may also be known as Col. DICK DALTON, and ascertain from him such facts as he may have concerning the whereabouts of subject KARPIS. Attention is called to the fact that [redacted] who furnished information about DALTON'S knowing of KARPIS' whereabouts, desires that his name not be mentioned. [redacted] also advised that he is of the opinion that DALTON will not be willing to furnish information. The Agent conducting this lead will have to use his own discretion as to how DALTON should be approached. In attempting to locate DALTON, it should be remembered that he is an old member of the DALTON gang, and is presently supposed to be connected with some oil well project.

The OMAHA OFFICE, at DES MOINES, IOWA, will ascertain from the Brown-Camp Hardware Company, what disposition it made of the .380 Colt automatic pistol #113038 which it purchased from the Colts Patent Firearms Company on February 8, 1932.

The OMAHA OFFICE, at DES MOINES, IOWA, will also trace through the Luthe Hardware Company, Winchester slide action 410 gauge pump shotgun, model 42, Serial #3489, which was purchased by that company on January 29, 1933 from the Winchester Repeating Arms Company.

The SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE, at SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, will trace the .380 Colt automatic pistol #112352 which was shipped to the Schaw-Batcher Company on January 26, 1932 by the Colts Patent Firearms Manufacturing Company.

The WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE, through the War Department, will trace the .45 calibre Colt automatic pistol #345132 which was purchased by the U. S. Government from the Colts Patent Firearms Manufacturing Company and shipped by that company on June 25, 1918 to Bush Terminal, Brooklyn, New York.

The NEW YORK OFFICE, will follow out the leads set out in the report of reference of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York City, dated October 3, 1935.

- PENDING -

POST OFFICE BOX 512,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of the file indicates the following undeveloped leads which require attention in your district.

The report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 27, 1935, contains numerous undeveloped leads which have not as yet been covered.

Letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 24, 1935, requests investigation at Clyde, Ohio, as to the purchase of a Chevrolet automobile by subject William Weaver.

Report of Special Agent R. C. Coulter, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated October 17, 1935, requests investigation at Leavittsburg, Ohio, as to the identity of one Fred Hunter.

Letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 7, 1934, requests investigation at Canton, Ohio, in order to determine the identities of Eddie Brennan, Joe Rich and Eddie Raney.

Your special attention is invited to the letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 26, 1935, which suggests contacts and other investigation which should be pursued by Special Agent C. E. Smith at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

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Please give these matters your attention.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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November 1, 1935

4:15 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: BREMER AND WEYERHAEUSER KIDNAPING CASES

At about 4:15 P. M. on November 1, 1935, Thomas F. Kinder appeared in this office. He stated that he is living at the Gospel Mission Home on 5th Street and that he receives his mail at 1410 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Kinder advised me that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell are now in a district in Cleveland, Ohio, known as "Roaring Third", which is reported to be an old red light district in Cleveland. He stated that this Bureau would never catch them alive and that "Karpis is the bird to watch out for". He stated that he had just returned from New Mexico, Texas, and Colorado, but was unable to inform as to any information he had obtained out there with regard to the Bremer case. He was questioned closely as to the source of his information regarding Karpis. He stated that in Columbus, Ohio, he had recently talked with an unknown stranger who said he thought Karpis was in Cleveland. He could give no explanation for having conversed with this stranger concerning Karpis, except that it was merely a casual conversation. He was unable to furnish anything more definite on the subject.

Kinder further stated that the Bureau would find Mahan in the vicinity of Sonora, Arizona. He explained that some months ago while visiting in the southwestern portion of the United States, he was walking on a road between Tucson and Sonora; that a man on foot caught up with him, and that this man, without any provocation, pulled a gun and said, "Keep your head to the front you ____ ____, or I'll blow your head off". Kinder stated that this man was positively Mahan. He gave the following description of this person: Age 25; height, 5' 9"; weight, 140; build, slender; hair, black; dress, blue shirt and overalls; wore glasses; appearance, acted as though he were half-starved. Kinder could give no explanation for

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the peculiar conduct of this stranger in holding him up with a gun when he, Kinder, was completely unknown to the stranger. He explained that "Mahan" was carrying a small box in which there were certain metal objects; that he kept ahead of "Mahan" and walked faster than "Mahan" did, and that after he failed to hear the clinking of the metal objects in the box, he looked around and found that he was no longer being trailed.

Kinder stated that he had seen numerous photographs of Mahan, Karpis and Campbell; that he never forgot a face, and that if I would show him several photographs, he would select the photographs of Mahan, Karpis and Campbell. Accordingly, I chose five photographs, cutting off all identifying data. I chose the photograph of Joseph Burns, several views of Harry Campbell, and the photographs of Lawrence M. Barton, Alvin Karpis and Mahan. He studied the photographs very carefully and selected the photograph of Campbell as that of Mahan, positively identifying him as Mahan. I explained to Kinder that he had chosen a photograph other than that of Mahan. He looked at me in a quizzical fashion and stated, "Yes sir, and I didn't show you the photograph of Karpis, either". I then gave him the photographs once more to look at and he chose the photograph of Mahan as being identical with that of Karpis.

It is very apparent that this individual knows nothing concerning the Brener and Weyerhaeuser cases, and appears to have a detective complex. I told him that if there was any further information which the Bureau desired to obtain from him, the Bureau would get in touch with him at the above mentioned address.

It did not appear to me that Kinder was well balanced mentally. He stated that he is now the subject of a blackmail plot, although he advised that he has no money and lives on a small pension paid to him by the Government. He also informed that wherever he goes, he is taken by everyone to be a secret service agent.

Kinder stated that if I wanted to know anything about him, all I would have to do would be to talk with Mr. Clyde Tolson. A memorandum from Mr. Clyde Tolson, contained in Bureau File No. 17-4129, reflects that an investigation of this man in 1932, indicated he was violently insane.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

KKM:RD

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November 2, 1935

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: MR. E. J. CONNELLEY, CHICAGO OFFICE.

BRINKID AGENT TURROU PROCEEDING CHICAGO TODAY TO ASSIST IN MATTERS MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER OCTOBER 29.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with others,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Brenan, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau intends to issue an Identification Order on William Elmer Meade in the immediate future.

It is observed that several dispositions concerning his criminal record have not yet been obtained. His criminal record discloses that [redacted] It is requested that you immediately obtain all of the facts with regard to the disposition of this case and submit the same in the form of a disposition sheet immediately.

The Bureau has information to the effect that Meade [redacted] It is requested that you verify this information and furnish full details with regard to the indictment and the forfeiture of the bond to the Bureau immediately.

The criminal record discloses that Meade [redacted] disposition being given. The New York City Office should secure the disposition of this arrest and submit a disposition sheet immediately.

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The criminal record further reflects that William E. Meade [redacted] The Chicago Office should immediately obtain the disposition of this matter and advise the Bureau in the form of a disposition sheet.

The record further reflects that Meade [redacted]

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[redacted] no disposition being given. A disposition sheet should be submitted immediately as to this matter also.

The criminal record, unsupported by fingerprints, discloses that William E. Mead [redacted]

The criminal record, unsupported by fingerprints, discloses that William Mead [redacted] The Los Angeles Office is [redacted] The San Francisco Office [redacted] proper information is to the [redacted] It is requested that the Denver Office obtain immediately the date and conditions of his release and or the date of discharge if placed on parole or probation.

The criminal record, unsupported by fingerprints, also discloses [redacted]. It is requested that the Cleveland Office make immediate inquiries at Lima, Ohio, obtaining all of the facts and circumstances concerning this alleged charge against Meade and obtain from the Lima, Ohio Police Department all information which would be of assistance in locating and apprehending Meade.

All offices which have been requested to conduct investigation as above noted are also requested, in making this investigation, to examine the records at the various institutions to obtain all available data with regard to the family, history, contacts, relatives and correspondents of William Elmer Meade while incarcerated in such institutions.

This information should be made available to the Bureau in the immediate future and this investigation should be given preferred attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati
L. J. Connelley - Chicago
Denver
New York
San Francisco
Los Angeles

Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
October 31, 1935

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[redacted]

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Madam:

Your office has made [redacted] Hiram Graffenberger, [redacted] City, Oklahoma, by sending messages [redacted] to this office.

[redacted]

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 9, 1935, containing a request to interview Henry Randall alias Duke Randall and Gregory I. Codomo, for the purpose of ascertaining the desired disposition of the automobiles obtained from them last winter in Florida, in connection with the above entitled case.

You are advised that when Special Agent N. D. Wills of this office interviewed Henry Randall he requested that the Ford Coupe obtained from him, be turned over to him at Newark, New Jersey, and at the time that the car is returned, Randall stated he would give a receipt for the same. He further advised Agent Wills that at the time the car was obtained by the Bureau, he turned over all papers relative to his ownership thereof. The permanent address of Randall is Room 18, Hotel Grant, 882 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey.

Gregory I. Codomo, 173 Newark Street, Newark, New Jersey, advised Agent Wills that the Ford Sedan obtained from him last winter does not belong to him, that Randall had requested him to leave the car on the parking lot used by his (Codomo's) employer, Ben Siper. Codomo further stated that inasmuch as he does not own the Ford Sedan involved in the instant case, he does not desire the same returned to him, and that as far as he is concerned, the Bureau can dispose of the automobile in whatever manner it deems advisable.

Henry Randall also informed Agent Wills that just prior to the time Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Dolores Delaney and Winona Burdette left Florida, Karpis told him that the girls were going to Atlantic City by train because Dolores was not able to travel by automobile, and that

it would be necessary for Harry Campbell to leave his Ford Sedan in Florida. Karpis then requested Randall to put the car in some place and told Randall that Campbell would return to get it at a later date. The said car was turned over to Randall for safe keeping by Dolores Delaney and Winona Burdette, who parked the car in the parking lot of the hotel where Randall was staying. The two girls then turned over to Randall the automobile keys and Certificate of Title. Some time later Randall requested Codomo to place the automobile in a parking lot used by Codomo's employer, Ben Sipers, and at the time the automobile was turned over to the Bureau it was located in this lot. Randall further stated that so far as he knows the Ford Sedan was owned by Harry Campbell and that he has no interest in it.

Very truly yours,

W. L. LIETERMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau,
Cincinnati,
St. Paul,
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Dear [redacted]

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I desire to inform you at this time that the fugitive notices for William Harrison and Harry Sawyer may be cancelled. Harrison was identified on September 6, 1935, as an individual found dead on January 6, 1930, at Cuterieville, Illinois. Harry Sawyer has been taken into custody and is at present being held awaiting trial.

In accordance with your suggestion, I shall be glad to see that in the future when identification orders are issued on major criminals in this country you will be furnished photographic reproductions of the fugitive circulars, with fingerprints, photographs and descriptive data.

I am confident that highly successful results will attend our cooperative efforts in law enforcement work.

With the expression of my best regards and highest esteem, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Laboratory Report

November 1, 1935.

Case: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING

Number: 7-576-7903

Specimens: It is requested that handwriting specimens of Volney Davis be compared with the handwriting specimen on registration for the car found in possession of Volney Davis at time of his arrest during latter part of May, 1935. The car was a Ford coupe, and the name appearing on registration is Gene L. Gordon, 2008 King Street, Delta, Georgia.

Examination requested by: Chicago Bureau Office - Mr. E. J. Connelley.

Date received: October 29, 1935.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination: Examination by: Appel

The examination requested by the letter from the Chicago Office of October 26, 1935 was completed and the results thereof forwarded under Laboratory Report #6533, which stated that because of differences between the submitted handwriting of Volney Davis and the signature "Gene L. Gordon" on the photostatic copy of the application for registration of a 1935 Ford Coupe, Motor Number 18-1643348, the probability was indicated that Volney Davis did not sign the questioned signature "Gene L. Gordon".

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1-Laboratory
1-Kansas City

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 618,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1418, et al.;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau October 29, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #377664.

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Kansas City

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 913,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter in which you advise that Bruno Austin was recently convicted in the State Court, Chicago, Illinois, on the charge of murder, and that he immediately made a motion for a new trial on which motion arguments were to be heard on October 25, 1935.

Please inform the Bureau immediately of the results of Bruno Austin's motion for a new trial.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

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The attached letter from [redacted] [redacted] is sent to you for what it is worth.

You recently conducted an investigation of [redacted] who was an applicant for a position here. My recollection is that the investigative report shows him to be somewhat in the twilight zone himself. I have not acknowledged his letter.

Brien McMahon

Brien McMahon
Acting Assistant to the Attorney General

Alvin Karpis

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October 17th, 1935.

Hon. Brien McMahon,
Acting Assistant to Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. McMahon:-

About a month ago a certain party told me that Karpis is hiding out in Mexico. This party pretended to know considerable about criminal hide-outs and because of his reputation I think he does know something.

If you will have someone call on me I will give him the information.

With kind regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

J[redacted]

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October 24, 1935

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Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 17, 1935 which was directed to the Honorable Brien McMahon, The Acting Assistant to the Attorney General, has been referred to this office for proper consideration.

I wish to thank you for your information to the effect that you have been informed that Karpis is in hiding in Mexico.

Please be informed that in keeping with your request, this matter is being brought to the attention of Mr. R. Whitley, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403, New York, New York who, it is anticipated, will arrange to have an Agent interview you in the very near future.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

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October 26, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copies of a letter directed to the Honorable Brien McMahon, The Acting Assistant to the Attorney General, dated October 17, 1935 by [redacted] in which he alleges he has certain information [illegible] that Alvin Karpis is in hiding in Boston.

You are requested to arrange for an Agent to conduct an appropriate interview with [redacted]

In this connection you are advised that [redacted] was recently under investigation as an applicant for [illegible] patriotic position.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure 48[illegible]

cc-Mr. Connelley (Chicago) (Copy of [redacted] letter 10-17-35 att.)
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R/n KRM

POST OFFICE BOX 418,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM F. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-86

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Butte, dated September 4, 1935, containing an undeveloped lead relative to [redacted] and requesting contact with Deputy Marshal Hatchoff as to the identities of persons who live at and frequent the rooming house operated by the Nuremberg woman at Butte.

Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 818,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Buffalo, New York.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, L.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, L.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, L.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, L.O. 1239; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-576

A review of the file indicates an undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent S. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated August 29, 1935, which has not as yet received attention, which lead requests investigation at Cooksville, Ontario, regarding the activities of Len Brock and, if advisable, an interview with him as to any information he may possess concerning this case.

Kindly give this matter your attention.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio FILE NO. 9-56

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim

CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping; Harboring a Fugitive; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Reports that Karpis and Campbell are frequenting points in Oklahoma seem to have no logical foundation as no definite information obtained that either are in or have been in Oklahoma for some time. Several confidential informants interviewed but no definite information obtained except negative information. One confidential informant, who was considered reliable, now in jail in Kansas.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, dated 9-7-35; Bureau letter dated 10-9-35; letter from Oklahoma City Office to Bureau dated 10-17-35.

DETAILS: The letter of reference to the Bureau, dated October 17, 1935, discusses a plan by the Sheriff's Office at Tulsa, Oklahoma to place a telephone tap on the telephone of Mabel Crabtree, [illegible] South Peoria Street, Tulsa, telephone number 4-3574. No further action has been taken regarding this matter, as it is believed that the Sheriff's Office at Tulsa hopes to obtain more information regarding some other case or matter they are interested in than the instant case. Sheriff Marrs, as well as Deputy Sheriff Tony Benson, has been contacted several times by the writer since the writing of the above-mentioned letter, and they have no further information or no more definite information to offer than is set out in this letter, copies of which were furnished to all interested offices. In spite of the fact that Benson advised this Agent that if the Bureau did not place this telephone tap he would do it personally, this has not been done, to date, and Sheriff Marrs stated to the writer that he had not been able to secure the consent of the telephone company at Tulsa, but believed that the Bureau would be able to do this. This Agent has endeavored before to interview Mabel Crabtree and her estranged spouse, Tommy Crabtree, but without success. They will be confidentially contacted in the near future by this Agent, as well as Norris Crabtree, for what information they have regarding the location of Karpis and Campbell.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Hugh Clegg — SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Regarding the information set out in the above-mentioned letter concerning a plan to obtain money and bonds from a safe in the home of F. C. Vogel, Vinita, Oklahoma, since the writing of this letter this Agent talked with Joe Anderson's informant in this matter, who is Jim Ray, who lives about twenty or twenty-five miles east of South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, and is employed presently as a sort of administrative or executive [illegible] the [illegible] having charge of thirteen counties in the northeast part of Oklahoma. Ray is personally acquainted with Tom Hill, Al Sherwood, Lee and Charlie McCoy and other characters of South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, he having served as a sergeant during World War with most of these people. He has been friendly with them since the war and has made bond for several of them from time to time. He obtained information regarding this alleged plan to torture Vogel or his wife until they told where the safe containing the money and bonds was located from Al Sherwood and this job was supposed to have been pulled by Sherwood, Tom Hill, Sam Coker, who has recently been released from the Oklahoma State Prison, and another individual whom the informant believes was to be Harry Campbell. After discussing this information with Ray, it was apparent to this Agent that the plan of having Harry Campbell participate in this job was mostly imaginative, as Ray admitted that he had no definite information to the effect that Campbell was to participate in this, but assumed that he was, inasmuch as Campbell is known to be "the best knob-knocker in this part of the country", and due to the fact that some of the characters in South Coffeyville had recently mentioned Campbell's name in a way that Ray believed they had had some recent contact with him. The most definite reason that Ray could give for the fact that Campbell has recently been in this part of the country is a statement a "dope-head", who hangs around Tom Hill's, whose name he does not know, had made when he heard of the arrest of Tom Carpenter at Neosho, Missouri -- "Harry said Tommy would spill his guts when he was arrested."

This Agent, with Paul Simms, Assistant United States Attorney, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, talked with F. C. Vogel and endeavored to make an arrangement whereby officers could go into his home and wait for these criminals to come there in accordance with the alleged plan as reported above, but Vogel refused to allow this plan to be carried out, in no indefinite terms. He stated that he was able to take care of himself and that he has a hired man who "sleeps outside and has a sawed-off shotgun and two six-shooters and can shoot plenty straight", and that he is "not going to have any strangers in my house after nine o'clock at night". He is an eccentric individual and set in his ways. It is impossible to maintain an effective surveillance of this home from any other point, the plan was dropped for the time being and Joe Anderson stated that he was going to cause the arrest of Al Sherwood and probably Tom Hill in the very near future.

In this connection, it is felt definitely certain that Sam Coker, mentioned above, is personally acquainted with Harry Campbell and it is possible that he may have some connection with him now that he has been released from the penitentiary. Mr. Ray was requested to interview Coker, who apparently seems to be avoiding officers at the present time, for what information he has concerning the location of Campbell, and will advise this Agent on some future date.

[redacted] previously mentioned in reports by this Agent as a confidential informant at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, was interviewed and advised that he had no other information than was disclosed at the time of his last interview by this Agent. [redacted] said that Harry Campbell did not from Tom Hill implicitly and that he has some doubts of Campbell contacting Hill if he comes to this part of the country. He believes, however, that he will contact this informant if he spends any time in Oklahoma or if he even drives through South Coffeyville, and this sounds entirely possible in view of the information furnished on a previous occasion by this informant to the effect that Campbell has stopped [redacted] as he was passing through South Coffeyville.

Pearl Stanley, who lives on a farm about six miles east of South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, and just inside of the line in Oklahoma, in a large two-story red brick house, has been known to harbor and protect members of the Barker mob. It is not known whether she knows Harry Campbell, but it is quite possible that she is acquainted with Karpis. Two different attempts have been made to interview her but due to heavy rains, it was not possible to get to her house. She will be interviewed in the near future by this Agent regarding what information she has or any help that she can give to locate Campbell and Karpis.

[redacted], South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, was interviewed again and advised that he had received no information regarding Karpis or Campbell. He manifested a willingness to continue to cooperate with this Agent and stated in a definite way that he is still of the same opinion regarding his willingness to put Karpis and Campbell on the spot if he is able to and will immediately communicate with the writer or with Gene Haverfield, Deputy Sheriff at Miami, Oklahoma, if he receives any information of value. While talking with [redacted] generally about this matter, he mentioned "this boy", whom he has mentioned previously, and when asked who he referred to he said "this Letts boy". When asked where this boy is at the present time, [redacted] that he is in Wichita, Kansas with his brother, working for some second hand furniture store as a repair man or upholsterer, [redacted] that he did not know exactly where this boy is living or the name of the store that he is working for. As stated before in reports of this Agent, it is felt definitely certain that this boy, whose first name is Milt or Milton, is the man who arranged with Campbell to meet Wynona Burdette at Ponca City late last year, and it is possible that he may be of some help in this case. Through inquiry of the Postmaster at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma and Coffeyville, Kansas, it was ascertained that the Letts family live on Route 2, out of Wann, Oklahoma. John R. Hendrickson, who is the mail carrier serving Route 2 out of Wann, was interviewed and stated that he has no definite information as to the address of Milt Letts but he believes that he is in Wichita, Kansas, probably living with a sister, whose name Hendrickson does not recall. Hendrickson will keep a watch on the mail going from, and which is received at the Letts farm, and believes that he will, in the near future, be able to obtain the address of Milt's sister in Wichita, or of where Milt and his brother are living and will immediately advise the writer. If this information is not received in the near future, Milt's mother will be interviewed regarding the matter.

Mr. J. D. Engle, Deputy Sheriff at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, directed a letter to the Oklahoma City Office which was dated October 21, 1935, and stated that he had some information that Harry Campbell "hangs out quite often at the Ira Brockett farm, near Oilton, Oklahoma, the information being is that Campbell is a dope-head and that several dopes hang around this place." Engle was interviewed by the writer and stated that his information came to him by a girl by the name of Claudie Carey, alias Jack Carey, who is employed as a domestic by Mrs. Butler, who is the manager of the operator of the Butler Drug Store at Oilton, Oklahoma. This girl, Engle says, goes to visit everyone Bible at the Lansing Prison in Kansas about once each month and stops to see him at Bartlesville on each of her visits. She advised Engle of Harry Campbell endeavoring to force her and Mrs. Butler to give him a ride to Oklahoma City upon one occasion when he was occupying the role of hitch-hiker near Oilton. Engle asked this Carey woman about the description of Campbell and was advised that he is a large man and will weigh 180 pounds and is probably 5' tall. It is felt that this information is entirely unreliable, and no further inquiries will be made along this line. After discussing this matter with the writer and being advised of the description of Campbell, Mr. Engle is also of the opinion that the information given him by this Carey woman is unreliable.

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Oklahoma, mentioned previously as a confidential informant in this case, was interviewed and advised that he had no information regarding the activities of Karpis or Campbell. He expressed a willingness to continue to cooperate with the writer and will furnish any information he receives.

Mrs. Louis Webb, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was again interviewed and advised that she had received no information concerning Campbell or Karpis since the last interview.

With reference to the letter from the Bureau to the Oklahoma City Office dated September 16, 1935, numerous efforts were made to contact the informant [redacted] at Tulsa, Oklahoma to endeavor to ascertain from his photograph if William Joseph O'Keefe is the same person as the "Stuttering Kid", mentioned by this informant in the report of this Agent dated September 9, 1935. He will be interviewed in the near future regarding this angle.

Melvin Brooks, previously mentioned as an informant in this case at Tulsa, Oklahoma has been arrested by operatives of the Kansas State Highway Patrol and is presently in the county jail at Sedan, Kansas, having plead guilty with Tom Carpenter there to complicity with Harry Campbell in a jewelry robbery. He has not been sentenced as it is the plan of the prosecuting attorney to use his testimony with that of Tom Carpenter to convict Tom Hill in some cases which it is felt Hill was implicated in with Harry Campbell, and these men, some two or three years ago.

[redacted]

On October 25, 1935, the Miami Daily-News Record, of Miami, Oklahoma, carried a story concerning some man who is alleged to have endeavored to make some contact with a doctor in Miami to have his wounds treated, apparently gunshot wounds, and it was intimated in this article that it was being talked on the streets in Miami that this wounded man might be Karpis.

This article was written by Walter Jones, a reporter on that paper, who has written several other articles at different times mentioning the name of Karpis, when the information did not point to Karpis in any respect. Chief of Police Walter L. Young and two of his officers, Roy Denman and L. E. Ellis, as well as Sheriff Eli Dry and his two deputies, Reeed and Mollers, were interviewed by Agents L. E. Kingman and the writer, and none of these officers had received any information whatever to the effect that this wounded man was thought to be Karpis. Chief Young advised that he received a call from some unknown person to the effect that two men, in a Chrysler automobile had driven up to a certain unknown filling station in the south part of Miami and inquired for a doctor; that one of the men had a lot of blood on him and that they had been directed to Doctor DeTarr's office, who is a reputable doctor in Miami and has his office in his residence in the 200 block East E Street, S. W., in Miami. This car apparently went to the DeTarr residence but as neither Doctor DeTarr nor any of his family were home at this time, they did not get any treatment and Doctor DeTarr advised Chief Young that if any man who is wounded calls for treatment, the Chief will be immediately notified.

Information was also received to the effect that Jack Painter and Leaman Keith, filling station operators at the Eagle Service Station in Afton, Oklahoma had seen this same car. These Agents interviewed Painter and Keith at Afton and they each advised that there were two men in a Chrysler Sedan, the model of which they did not know; that one man was sitting in the rear seat and the man who was driving asked if there was a good doctor in Afton, and when advised that there was only one doctor there, they asked about his address. Painter stated that he had consulted this doctor since then but had been advised by the doctor that no one had called to see him for treatment of any wounds. Painter and Keith were shown the pictures of several members of the Barker-Karpis mob and stated definitely that these two men were not any of the men whose pictures were shown them. When shown the picture of Karpis, they stated definitely that neither of these men could have been Karpis. They described these men much larger than either Karpis or Campbell is.

On the night of October 24, 1935, the Silver Fox Night Club near Tipton Ford, Missouri, between Neosho and Joplin, Missouri, was burned and a watchman there, according to press reports, engaged in a gun battle with three men who, he says, were driving an Auburn car. It is felt by the Chief of Police at Miami, that as press reports indicated that probably one of these men was wounded by the night watchman, it is possible that the people who inquired for a doctor's aid at Miami could have been these men.

With reference to the letter from the Bureau dated October 9, 1935, regarding information which was furnished the Bureau by Doctor Fred D.

Sparks, a dentist at Ponca City, Oklahoma regarding one Wayne Harris, whom he believed to resemble Alvin Karpis, the writer contacted Doctor Sparks in his office at 413 Community Building, Ponca City, but no further information was obtained than is set out in Doctor Sparks letter mentioned in his above [illegible] letter. Wayne Harris, who is supposed to be a cook at the CCC Camp near Ponca City, Oklahoma, is still employed there and according to information furnished by Lieutenant S. L. Wade of this camp, Harris has been employed with this same camp for about fourteen months. The fingerprints of Harris were on file and they were compared with the fingerprints of Karpis and there are no similarities whatever. Due to the definite information obtained regarding Harris, which points to the fact that he could not possibly be Karpis, he was not interrogated.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE will continue the investigation in this case by endeavoring to obtain information regarding the location of Karpis and Campbell and other subjects in this case, in Oklahoma, especially in the vicinity of Tulsa.

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, L.O. FILES; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Bureau's letter of the 1st instant (7-576), I am transmitting herewith to the St. Paul Office the original copy of a statement signed by Mrs. Edith McDonald at West Palm Beach, Florida, February 7, 1935, and also the original copy of a statement signed by Cassius M. McDonald at West Palm Beach, Florida, February 8, 1935.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Ali
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 512,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1238; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file indicates the following undeveloped leads in your district which have not as yet received attention.

Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Missouri, dated July 5, 1935, suggests investigation for the purpose of effecting a contact with Frank Dixon of Joplin, Missouri, in order to obtain pertinent information regarding the activities of Mildred Kuhlman as respects Arthur R. Barker. It is suggested that this inquiry be pursued and that any arrangement made include the securing of information as to possible contacts with Arthur R. Barker on the part of Karpis and Campbell through Dixon, who is very friendly with George R. Barker.

With respect to the letter of Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, Kansas City, Missouri, dated August 29, 1935, it is believed that further efforts should be made to locate Billie Fitch in order to secure any information of value she may possess relating to Harry Campbell.

Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Missouri, dated September 26, 1935, states that contact would be maintained with Mrs. Mary Christman in order to learn if she will assist in efforts to locate the body of her son Earl Christman, a former member of the Barker-Karpis mob. This same report contains a lead calling for an interview with Roy Hance in an effort to obtain data concerning Harry Campbell.

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A letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated September 27, 1935, requests that interviews be had with Thomas Kelly, Ralph Parr and James Byers at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, for information relative to their possible connection with this case, also for possible data of value as to fugitive subjects.

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Letter from Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated October 13, 1935, requests that Milton Brooks and Thomas Carpenter be interviewed at Sedan, Kansas, for any information they may have as to subject Harry Campbell.

Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, October 24, 1935, requests that Ray Larson, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, and Raymond Pell, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, be interviewed in detail for information of value with respect to subject Alvin Karpis.

Report of Special Agent J. B. Little, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated October 11, 1935, requests that appropriate investigation be conducted at Webb City, Missouri, in an effort to locate certain lists referred to by an informant as having been found in a room occupied by Fred and Doc Barker, in order to learn if the lists in question are of any value in establishing contacts of the Karpis-Barker gang.

Please give these matters your immediate attention. It is requested that investigative reports covering work performed on this case in your district be submitted at least twice monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1230; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of the file indicates that the undeveloped lead contained in the report of Special Agent H. E. Roberts, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 30, 1935, requesting investigation at Ishpeming, Michigan, to determine if Karpis and Campbell had been seen in that vicinity and also to learn if any lodges or other places suitable for a hideout are located in that section has not as yet received attention.

Please give this matter your immediate attention and in the future submit reports covering investigation in your district at least twice monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1238; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-62

A review of this file reveals the following undeveloped leads in your district which have not as yet received attention.

Report of Special Agent J. B. Shiley, Denver, Colorado, dated September 23, 1935, contains a lead that Dan Tubbs of Casper, Wyoming, be contacted for information concerning his association with Karpis and Campbell during the time he lived at Alcova, Wyoming, and also requests that contacts be maintained with certain law enforcement officials at Casper, Wyoming, for information of value to this investigation.

The report of Special Agent A. E. Gere, Denver, Colorado, dated August 8, 1935, contains a lead requiring investigation at Colorado Springs, Colorado, in order to locate for appropriate investigation an osteopath who is alleged to have removed scars for subject Harry Campbell. This same report contains another lead requiring attention at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, in order to learn if Louis Alterie still had an interest in the Sweetwater Lake Ranch at the time of his assassination in Chicago, Illinois, during the past summer.

Please give these matters your immediate attention. It is also requested that in the future, investigative reports be submitted bi-monthly covering work in your district.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 512,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1818; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1838; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases; I.O. 1836; WILLIAM J. HARRIDON with aliases, I.O. 1830; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-62

Your attention is invited to the report of Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated October 14, 1935, which contains an undeveloped lead requesting an interview with E. L. Ringler of Elkhart, Indiana, for data regarding William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton during their stay at Port Orange, Florida, from the early winter of 1934 until the time of their apprehension. A review of the file reflects that this lead has not as yet received attention. It is requested that at the time this investigation is conducted photographs of the persons in this file be displayed and that full information be obtained re visitors and associates of Weaver and Eaton for possible use in the harboring prosecution against Myrtle Eaton.

Please give this matter your immediate attention. It is requested that in the future investigation conducted in your district on this case be reported at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; MARTY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1234; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1230; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-88

A review of this file indicates that the undeveloped lead contained in the report of Special Agent J. B. Shiley, Denver, Colorado, dated September 9, 1935, requesting that the address of Floyd "Red" Fonda be ascertained through the Automobile License Bureau at Santa Fe, New Mexico, with a view to locating him for information concerning the parties who were with him during his visit to Midwest, Wyoming, has not as yet received attention.

Please give this matter your immediate attention. It is also requested that in the future, investigation conducted in your district on this case be reported at least twice monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. #1218 - et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
Kidnaping.

For the week ending November 2, 1935 there have been no developments in the set-up at Toledo, Ohio. The Chicago Office, however, has arranged for a plant and a surveillance of the home of John Karpavicz in Chicago. Special Agent L. G. Turrou has been sent to Chicago from New York to sit on a telephone tap on the telephone of the Karpavicz family in view of the fact that most of the conversations are held in either the Russian or Lithuanian language.

Information obtained indicates that Karpis will make every effort to see his child and will also attempt to send money to his parents for the proper care of the child.

It has also been shown that John Karpavicz has in his possession considerably more money than one receiving $60 a month should appropriately have. It is believed that he is being furnished with funds by subject Alvin Karpis.

For the above mentioned reasons the plant and surveillance are considered desirable at this time.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
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NOVEMBER 4, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, Et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to my letter dated September 16, 1935, relative to the cover being maintained on the mail of Elmer Farmer, register #47103, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, there are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau and each of the Field Offices designated herein below, copies of the following correspondence:

Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 25, 1935;

Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 28, 1935;

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Farmer, postmarked Elmhurst, Illinois, October 30, 1935; and

Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith

W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE.

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103, postmarked Chicago, October 28, 1935.

Sunday afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Your usual Sunday letter, ol' dear, how are you getting along? I suppose you are outside this afternoon. I hope so anyway. It is a gloomy Sunday here, it is so damp and dark. Nick is a lot worse today and so the Doctor is going to take him to see a specialist tomorrow, but I doubt very much if anything can be done to help him. Cancer is a terrible thing. Did you ever think he would get anything like that?

Even though he did drink a lot I never thought of an affliction like that. He always speaks of you and always tells me how much he thinks of you. He cannot eat anything at all and now he cannot even drink milk, so it really is terrible to watch him slowly starving to death. He is so very thin too, and is showing his age too, after all, honey, he is 70 years old. Well, anyway, I will write and tell you what the specialist has to say. My mother has not called me since the other day. Guess she has forgotten me. I called that man up who helped me get in to Fields before and so I am going to go downtown and see him tomorrow afternoon, so perhaps he will be able to help me, heres hoping anyway.

I heard from Lil the other day and Mike is in Stateville, getting along O.K. I guess, she said to say "hello" to you.

Did you see the picture of that Mike Romano (who Sam had picked out for your lawyer) in the Herald-Examiner also one of some Judge and an item telling about him going to Hollywood to be a movie star? I guess he would have been as good as the other two we had.

How is Harold getting along and also Mr. McLaughlin? I often wondered how he got along down there. Well, honey, I guess my last letter was rather blue and I sure feel blue, but, I really should get a break soon and I do hope Fields take me back, dont you? I wonder why I never hear from Sullivan or McMeekin? Perhaps Sullivan is angry with you and feels you could have helped him. You know what those people are like and that might be the reason he ignored my letter, but I will write to him again and remind him. Ann does not write to me either, but perhaps she is busy. You know I told you she was going to go into the Government service this fall so perhaps she did. Well, dearest, news is rather scarce. I do not do much of anything to tell you about. You remember Father Mills, who was the priest in Bensenville? You know too he is in Chicago now at St. Boniface Church on Noble Street. I am going over to see him tomorrow night. My aunt wants me to and arrange to have him come to visit Nick just by accident and arrange with him to give him the rites of the Church. You know Nick has not been to Church for years and if he did not see the Priest before he died he never could be buried from the Church and he was very friendly with him you know, so we think he might talk to him. I guess, Elmer dear, you really know now that Nick is pretty sick. My sister Irene just called me and was telling me she had been into the show and do you remember that Grant Kenworthy,

Irma Burwood ran around with from Bensenville? He lived at Shaw's on Pine Ave and he caddied at Mohawk, just a young kid. Well, anyway he is an actor and is appearing at the Oriental Theatre in the loop this week. Our large town produced some prominent people, huh? I really think I will close and dearest, please write to me as soon as you can and lets not argue anymore why should we? So hoping you are getting along nicely and are well and until I hear from you, which I hope will be soon, will close with lots of love

Helen Conliff
4143 West End Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, #47103, Postmarked Chicago, October 30, 1935.

Wednesday afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Received your very nice letter this afternoon and was so glad to hear from you. I hope you are working steady by this time so you can have a few privileges.

You can go to the movies them. I told you in my last letter what a flop that job on the north side was so you know now.

I went down to Fields Monday. I guess I told you I was going when I wrote to you Sunday and I talked to Mr. Garriety the man who helped me to get in before and he talked to the Supt. so I am to go back Monday morning and heres hoping I do go to work. I went and applied at the 5 & 10¢ stores downtown so I have my bid in quite a few places for a job. Sue's sister put in an application for me at the telephone Co. and they are going to put on some girls after the first of the year so thats that. Well, honey, I am glad you are feeling well. Honey, Nick is getting worse and the Doctor he has had another Doctor in on the case and they are going to send him to the Hospital for a few days and be kept under observation. They both say he has cancer so I guess he has. He is gradually growing weaker and weaker and he looks terrible. Scottie is still here so I am not sure whether I will send him to Pete or not. You know how my aunt is, one day she don't want him here and the next day she wants me to keep him here so at the present time he is in good standing and can stay. You had a nice dinner Sunday. I certainly wish I could see you but I never did hear from Sullivan. I heard Jim sold the boxes to Mohawk and they are going to operate them their selves. I hope, honey, the days are not so long for you. This is rather short but I am hurrying as May wants me to go to Madison Street for her so I will close as I want to mail this to you but I will write to you in a day or so and a long letter so ol' dear hoping you are well will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff,
4143 West End Avenue
Chicago, Ills

Everyone is well and they all say "hello"

COPY.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, #47103, Postmarked Elmhurst, Ill., October 30, 1935.

Tuesday Oct. 29

Dear Elmer,

I just received your letter and will answer it right away as I want you to get your money, ten dollars, which I am enclosing, by the first.

Its now three o'clock in the afternoon and a lovely day, very warm and sunny. I am glad to hear that you will be given steady work soon, then you can be outside and get some exercise. I think the regular hours you have to observe there will be a great benefit to you.

Whenever you know that something can be done in your case, you can let me know, we certainly hope that you wont have to stay there long.

I was in Chicago yesterday to do some shopping, it was cold and raining so I came back early, I dont get into Chicago very often.

Havent seen Chub since last week, he'l probably be over tomorrow, he now weighs 210 lbs. Spading the garden would be what he needs, as he has he dont eat very much, but he dont get any exercise, thats why he is so stout. We take a walk most every evening unless the weather is too bad.

Wont you need heavy clothes for the winter and an overcoat when you are outside or do they furnish them. You must have been short of money as you only had five dollars. I would'nt smoke too many cigarettes as that isn't good for you.

Can you buy good candy. I made fudge the other day, remember the fudge you used to make and sell to me, that was funny.

I'll close now and will look for your letter next week. We are well and glad you are feeling so well. Love from both of us.

Blanche Brabant
275 Geneva Ave.,
Elmhurst, Illinois.

Copy.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103, Postmarked Chicago, Ill., October 25, 1935.

Friday morning.

Dearest Elmer:

Your letter arrived this morning, somewhat late, but I was glad to hear from you as usual. I am glad you were out working and hope you continue to get out. I thought you would be glad to hear the case had been dropped, I am too and hope he does not bring it up again, if he does I do not intend to go to Court, subpoenae or not. I guess I was a "chump" to go, it made you angry and according to reports I get, Blanche and Gifford think I am a very terrible person, but Elmer, I did go and with the idea and the promise it would help you later on but that remains to be seen. I hope it does help you, I would like to see something done for you. I do not know anything about what McMeeken and the rest of those lawyers told you. McMeeken denies it now, so I guess we will just have to wait and see what happens. I am glad you are feeling so well. I guess I told you about a job I was supposed to get on the north side. I got the job but I just could not stand it. I had to work 11 hours a day seven days a week. No time out for supper at all and absolutely no time away from the fountain at all, and no supper at all and I had to stand up all of the time, so I lasted just the one day and felt terrible when I finally was through for the day. I would have received the large sum of $12.00 a week for that torture. I think Chicago has me licked. Elmer, you can imagine what it is like living here with my aunt, for instance I heard Albert tell her yesterday he wanted his bed back, so he must have it, that lets me out. I was pretty certain that when I borrowed that money from Sue it would help a lot but my mother spent almost all of it foolishly, you know what I mean, so that left me right back at the same place. Gee, Elmer, I wish you were here with me, I guess you were just about the only one I had. I called my mother up today and thought perhaps Jacobsons might need a waitress but was very cooly informed they did not. I guess her and Jim will fix it up again, at least all indications show it. I hope so anyway, they might as well. Irene, her and him can get along. I am sorry if you think I am singing the blues to you, I feel so blue. We had the Doctor here for Nick and he says he has cancer of the throat, thats pretty awful. He was talking about writing to you yesterday. I wrote you a letter Sunday and after I had sealed it George and Mr. Wienold came to visit Nick. (I mean George Boedebuck) and George was telling me that all of the people who were up in St Paul from Bensenvillle are going up there for the trial, him included and he said that it is not coming up in court until January. It was supposed to come up in November, I wonder why they changed it? From your letter Jim finally wrote to you, didnt he? I suppose he has some old bills to pay. I dont feel any ressntment towards Jim. Why should I?

You know Elmer, I did not go to Court to spite him nor anything else. I hope he goes along nicely out there, so dont think I did. My mother was telling me Kahns came back from Europe a few days ago. They had a nice trip, it lasted a long time. Nice to be able to do that, oh yes Mike Connors was telling everyone out in Bensenville about a ride you and him and Ann took to Barthell right after New Years, just before you went away. He would tell that now. I called up for Lil the other day but could not reach her but left word for her to call me. I would like to hear

how Mike is getting along. She still has his car so evidently she is keeping up the payments. I did not hear from Sullivan nor McMeeken since I wrote about three weeks ago, do you think I should write to Sullivan again? When you write tell me. I would like to see you and if I can, will try to get the money together somehow. Well, ol' dear, there is not so very much more news to tell you about. My cold is better, for which I am glad. So I guess I will sign off for a few days and will try and write to you Sunday, and I will remember that letters are held up in the office when I do not hear from you on Tuesday or Wednesday. I always think that you have not written to me but honey keep on writing to me. So dearest until I hear from you which I hope will be soon will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4143 West End Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 4, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below, copies of a letter written by Dolores DeLaney, who is presently confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, to the South Florida Motor Sales Company, Inc., Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,

W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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ENCLOSURE

Milan, Michigan.
Box 1000
October 29, 1935

South Florida Motor Sales Co., Inc.
905 W. Flagler St.
Miami, Florida

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 25th received and regarding the offer you made for the car of $275.00, it is satisfactory with me. Please attend to all details enclose check and any papers you wish signed, and send them to me. Duplicate bill of ownership can be obtained, if necessary, I imagine, through the Ford Agency in Havana, where the car was purchased under the name of Dolores Wagner.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am,

Yours very truly,

Dolores DeLaney.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of the file in this case reflects the following undeveloped leads requiring attention in the district covered by the Jacksonville Bureau office.

Reports of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Massachusetts, dated July 20 and August 15, 1935, request an interview with Tom E. Phatcher at Miami, Florida, for information as to William Elmer Meade and means of locating him.

Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated August 8, 1935, requests that contacts be maintained with J. W. Masaner and Bill Huntley at Miami, Florida, during the approaching racing season for information as to the possibility of subjects Karpis and Campbell frequenting that city. In this connection, it is also suggested that contact be maintained with Danny McFarland during the approaching season at Miami in the event he returns to that city.

Report of Special Agent E. F. Emerich, Atlanta, Georgia, dated September 30, 1935, requests inquiries regarding the identity of an attorney named Myerson of Jacksonville, Florida, who represented Meade at one time, and an interview with him if he is located.

Report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated October 3, 1935, requests that efforts be made to locate Andrew Ourante, through General Delivery at Miami, Florida, as it may be desirable to use him as a witness.

Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated September 16, 1935, requests that a signed statement be submitted by Lawrence Johnson of Daytona Beach, Florida, concerning the circumstances surrounding the identification of subject William Weaver's photograph.

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Report of Special Agent R. C. Hendon, Atlanta, Georgia, dated October 9, 1935, contains a lead requesting that the identity of Mrs. L. F. Mead, 311 Northeast 28th Street, Miami, Florida, be learned.

Report of Special Agent P. J. Cotter, Buffalo, New York, dated October 10, 1935, requests that Freddie Freed be located through relatives in Miami, Florida, and that he be interviewed as to the present whereabouts of William Elmer Meade or for data of value in effecting his apprehension.

Please give the above matters your attention and in the future it is requested that reports covering investigative work in your district be submitted at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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November 1, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your letter to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley dated October 3, 1935 under personal and confidential cover, concerning information furnished by [redacted] relative to Dr. Joseph P. Moran being presently located in Mexico.

Reference is also made to the personal and confidential letter of Special Agent in Charge Gus T. Jones addressed to you on September 28, 1935 relative to possible investigation in Mexico for the purpose of locating Dr. Moran.

Please be advised that this matter has been again discussed with [redacted] by Special Agent R. D. Brown and [redacted] states that he believes the Mexican town referred to by Edith Barry as the place where Moran is located to be Guadalajara.

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation,
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Date November 4, 1935.

Mr. J. E. Hoover,
Director, U. S. Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the U. S. Bureau of Investigation:

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This form to be submitted to the U. S. Bureau of Investigation to report dispositions of cases in which prints were forwarded previously. Dispositions include such information as advice relative to sentences imposed, fines, discharges from custody, etc. Several cases may be listed on each sheet.

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge
(Official Title)

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232;
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WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. Chicago file 7-82

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 25, 1935, in which it is suggested that an attempt be made to [redacted] in order that same may be available for future use should proceedings be instituted against Edith Barry charging her with harboring, or conspiracy to harbor Subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

[redacted]

On November 1, 1935, during a conversation with [redacted] advised Special Agent Brown, when this matter was again brought up incidental to other conversations, that he hoped the Government would not place him in a position where it would be necessary for him to testify against anyone in this matter. He went on to state that he believes he has cooperated and intends to continue to cooperate wholeheartedly with the Government in this matter, but expects the Government's cooperation in protecting him insofar as possible. [redacted]

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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October 31, 1935.

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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239 et al - Edward George Bremer Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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November 5, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

In compliance with the request of Mr. McIntire, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of criminal record and a photographic copy of the fingerprints taken before mutilation, as appearing in the files of the Identification Division, of William E. Meade, our file #FBI-271926.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

L. C. Schilder.

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TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] has no information relative to date of return of Fergus, Mitchell and Heberbrand from Roumania. Telephone number Adams 1231 listed to New Secor Hotel, Toledo, Ohio. Brown advises A. W. Sharp, while hard working, is always on the borderline. Investigation reveals Weaver purchased Chevrolet Sedan motor #4482615, serial #1-DA-06-43592 from Robison Chevrolet, Toledo, Ohio, under the name of Mrs. J. W. Osborne. Weaver using alias of J. A. Orhood traded Chevrolet Sedan, motor #4135550, serial #1-DA03-13359 to Jay Carter on July 24, 1934, the date he purchased Chevrolet motor #4482615 from Robison Chevrolet Company. Purchased Chevrolet, motor #4135550, March 23, 1934 at Des Moines, Iowa, from Ed. O'Dea Chevrolet Company. H. S. Holder advises man resembling Weaver purchased chow dog from him using the name of J. A. Orhood and paid for same with American Travelers check #T-3036311. Holder also advised man by name of George Swanson, who resembled Harrison, boarded a chow dog with him and an individual later called for the "Winfield" dog. Holder stated Slim Gibson resembled that man. Jefferson 1759-W probably number called by Warner. Confidential informant [redacted] advises Ren Holst now operating beer parlor at Point Place, Ohio. Confidential informant [redacted] advises Lu has left Edith Barry. Edith's maid resides at 431 Pinewood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 10/28/35.
Report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated 10/16/35.
Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minn., dated 4/10/35.
Letter from Bureau dated 9/19/35.
Letter from Special Agent E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, 10/24/35.
Report of Special Agent H. D. Harris, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 9/11/35.
Report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 7/13/35.

DETAILS: AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

[redacted] Confidential Informant of the Cleveland office was again interviewed on October 25, 1935, and advised that William "Billy" Fergus; William "Bill" Mitchell, and Clarence Heberbrand, in company with two Roumanians and a mechanic employed by the Mason & Company, slot machine manufacturers and vendors, had gone to Roumania to install slot machines, however, the government had revoked its contract and the deal had fallen through.

[redacted] further stated that Mrs. Mitchell had exhibited a cablegram to [redacted] which stated that Fergus, Mitchell and Heberbrand had left for Poland and would proceed home from three different ports. [redacted] was unable to advance any reason for the above-named individuals separating and coming home by different routes.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent H. D. Harris dated at Cincinnati, September 11, 1935, wherein he advises that the records of the telephone company at Dayton, Ohio reflects that Attorney John Egan called Adams 1231 at Toledo, Ohio, on July 1, 1935, which number is listed to the New Secor Hotel. During the time a tap was maintained on the telephone of the Casino Club in January of this year, it was noted that the telephone operators of the hotel frequently engaged in conversation with Annetta Smith, alias Apple Annie, check girl at the Casino Club. In view of that fact, agent did not deem it advisable at this time to ascertain the identity of the individual receiving the call.

AT LAKESIDE, OHIO

William Brown of Brown's Boat Livery at Erie Beach was interviewed relative to A. W. Sharp of Catawba Island and he advised that he had known Sharp for the past eight or ten years, becoming acquainted with him when Sharp was shipping peaches from his dock to Detroit, Michigan and Brown was hauling them by his boat.

Brown described Sharp as a hard-luck man but one who was

always looking for a way to make an easy dollar for himself. Sharp formerly operated a bowling alley and pool room, however, he gave it up as a losing proposition and owes a considerable number of people various sums of money. According to Brown, Sharp married Rose Gamble who gives music lessons in Port Clinton and vicinity and bears a very good reputation. They have one child, a daughter, who graduated from high school last year. Brown was unable to recall the daughter's name nor did he know much about her.

Continuing, Brown advised that he did not know any of Sharp's associates or what business he was presently engaged in, stating that Sharp, while he was ambitious, he was always on the border line.

AT CLYDE, OHIO

In reference to the 1934 Chevrolet sedan, motor #4482615, traded in by Weaver, Mr. H. W. Snyder, Vine Street, Manager of the Dunmyer Chevrolet Company, was interviewed and advised, after a check of his records, that no one by the name of J. W. Osborne had purchased any automobile new or used from him, nor did he have any record of any Chevrolet bearing the above motor number. Mr. Snyder further stated that the Dunmyer Company had salesrooms in Fremont, Port Clinton, and Oak Harbor as well as Clyde, Ohio.

AT FREMONT, OHIO

Mr. D. W. Dunmyer, owner of the Dunmyer Chevrolet Company, was interviewed and advised that the company at Fremont had not sold any Chevrolet bearing motor number 4482615.

Mr. G. W. Miller, Clerk of Court, County of Sandusky, was interviewed and after a check of his records, advised that the name of J. W. Osborne did not appear on his records, either as grantee or grantor on any bill of sale filed in the county.

AT OAK HARBOR, OHIO

L. H. Peters of the Dunmyer Chevrolet Company was contacted and advised that no automobile bearing motor number 4482615 had been handled by his organization.

AT SANDUSKY, OHIO

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire dated at Chicago, Illinois, April 10, 1935, wherein it states on pages 184 and 185 that Mrs. Fred Wilgrube, Route #1, Huron, Ohio, could testify that Weaver and Eaton, using the alias Orhood, had rented a cottage from her at Grand Forest Beach and of Mr. and Mrs. George Swanson,

also rented a cottage at the same place from her. Mrs. Wilgrube also found an application for registration of a chow dog sold by Mrs. A. H. Holder, 1105 Marlboro Street, Sandusky, Ohio, to J. A. Orhood on June 3, 1934.

Agent interviewed Mr. H. S. Holder, 1105 Marlboro Street, proprietor of the I'Jang Chow Kennels on Route #2, about one mile east of Sandusky, and after a check of his records stated that a J. A. Orhood, 3467 Edgewater Drive, Toledo, Ohio, had on about June 3, 1934, purchased a chow dog called "Scoogy" from him for $20.00. Photographs of subjects of this case were exhibited to Holder and he identified the small insert photograph of Weaver appearing below the larger photograph of Weaver on the strip containing the photos of Moran, Weaver, Gibson, Doyle and Sawyer, as greatly resembling the man who had purchased the dog.

Continuing, Mr. Holder stated that he remembered the incident as Orhood had stated he was living at Grand Forest Beach for the summer and argued with him about the price as he had asked $25.00 for the dog and when Orhood stated he could get one at Steeds Kennels, just west of Toledo for $20.00, rather than to lose the sale, he agreed to take $20. Mr. Holder further stated that Orhood paid him with a $20.00 American Express Travelers check, which he took from a pad of checks and filled it out in front of him. Holder stated that Orhood was alone at the time, but he gathered from his conversation that he had a woman with him.

During the interview, Mr. Holder stated that on August 25, 1934, a man by the name of George Swanson of Toledo had brought in a chow dog tied with an unusually heavy chain and requested the dog be boarded. Holder asked the man if the dog was vicious and the man exhibited a badly chewed left forearm and stated "the s-- of a b---- did that".

Continuing, Mr. Holder stated that on September 29, 1934 at 7:25 p.m. two men in a small coupe called and asked for the "Winfield" dog. After several minutes of discussion, Holder ascertained that they meant the dog Swanson had brought in, so he gave it to them. However, he did not like their looks and had his assistant, Thomas Baker, 1105 Marlboro Street, take the license number, which was a 1934 Illinois number 1-266-231.

Both Holder and Baker stated that the photograph of Willie Harrison greatly resembled George Swanson, and the photograph of Slim Gibson looked like the man who asked for the "Winfield" dog. Neither of them were able to say what the other man looked like as he remained in the coupe.

Agent questioned Mr. Holder relative to the American Travelers check and he stated that he had deposited it to his account at the Third National Bank in Sandusky.

Mr. E. B. Gangware, Cashier of the Third National Bank was interviewed and after a search of his records, stated that on June 7, 1934,

Mr. Holder had deposited an American Travelers check for $20.00, same bearing #T-3036311 and on the same day the bank had forwarded same with a cash transmittal letter to their New York correspondent, the Chase National Bank.

Continuing, Mr. Gangware advised that whenever the bank needed Travelers checks they ordered same from E. M. English, Manager, American Express Company, 58 East Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

AT TOLEDO, OHIO

Agent communicated with Confidential Informant [redacted] and he stated that Rene Holst had returned from Atlantic City and was operating Ludy Fleming's beer parlor in Point Place, Ohio. Other than that, he had no information relative to the subjects of this case or their contacts.

In an endeavor to ascertain if the Chevrolet bearing #4482615 had been purchased or sold by Weaver in Toledo, or the vicinity, Agent, without disclosing his identity, checked the automobile sales register book in the Clerk of Courts office of Lucas County and it was noted that the Robison Chevrolet, Inc., 3015 Monroe Street was listed on July 24, 1934 as grantor and Mrs. J. W. Osborne as grantee on bill of sale #366697.

A further check of the records revealed that J. A. Orhood transferred title of a 1934 Chevrolet coupe on July 24, 1934 to Jay Carter under bill of sale #362714. Agent requested bills of sale numbers 366697 and 362714 from the clerk on duty and a review of same is set forth:

Bill of Sale #366697 reflects that on July 24, 1934 the Robison Chevrolet, Inc., 3015 Monroe Street, delivered to Mrs. J. W. Osborne of Clyde, Ohio, a new 1934 Chevrolet club sedan. Serial #1DA-0643592, motor #4482615, which car shall be hereinafter referred to as car #1. This bill of sale was witnessed by H. Barry and F. R. Streicher. A check of the City Directory lists H. Barry as a salesman for the Robison Chevrolet, Inc., and his residence as Maumee, Ohio. (It will be noted here that H. Barry is no doubt the salesman who also sold two cars to Arthur H. Barker in 1934, see report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan, 4/9/35.) The City Directory lists F. R. Streicher as a salesman for the Robison Chevrolet and his residence as 2451 Charlestown.

Your attention is called to the serial #1 DA 06435 set forth in reference letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated at Chicago, Illinois October 24, 1935 and the serial number obtained from bill of sale #366697 which is 1 DA 0643592, although there is a difference of two digits, the motor numbers are the same, and it is no doubt the automobile referred to.

Bill of Sale 362714 reflects that on May 14, 1934, J. A. Orhood, 3467 Edgewater Drive, Toledo, Ohio, filed a sworn statement of ownership for a 1934 Chevrolet coupe, serial #1 DA-03-13359, motor #413-5550, and supported that sworn statement of ownership with a customer's copy of a car invoice bearing number 3548 from the Ed. O'Dea Chevrolet Company, 623 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. The car invoice which was stamped "paid in full" on March 23, 1934 and initialed H.R.H. and notarized by John Van Gorkom, set forth the following information:

Name of Salesman		Schane
Name of Purchaser		J. A. Orhood, 318 E. 5th St.
Date of Purchase		March 23, 1934
Description of Car		1934 Chevrolet coupe, serial #1DA03-13359, motor #4135550, license #77-34648
Cost -	Coupe	$565.00
	Factory Equipment	20.00
	Freight	69.90
	DM Equipment	13.65
	License	14.25
	Sport-lite	13.92
Notation -	Cash on Delivery	40.00
	Cash paid March 23, 1934	696.72

This car will be hereinafter referred to as Car #2.

On July 24, 1934, J. A. Orhood, 3467 Edgewater Drive executed a bill of sale for car #2 to Jay Carter, 3303 Summit Street, and this bill of sale was witnessed by Blair Caldwell and H. Barry, and notarized by Blair Caldwell on July 24, 1934. The City Directory lists Blair Caldwell as a salesman residing at 1507 Kelsey Avenue. This bill of sale was filed in the Clerk of Courts Office on July 27, 1934.

However, it will be noted here that on July 23, 1934, one day prior to the date J. A. Orhood transferred his title to car #2 to Jay Carter, Jay Carter executed a bill of sale for car #2 to the Robison Chevrolet Inc., 3015 Monroe Street. This bill of sale was witnessed by Irene Taylor and Evelyn McPartland and notarized by Evelyn McPartland on July 23, 1934, and recorded in the Clerk of Courts Office on July 31, 1934. The City Directory lists Irene Taylor as a stenographer for the Robison Chevrolet Company, residence 340 Winthrop Avenue; occupation of Evelyn McPartland is listed as Clerk of the Robison Chevrolet Company, and her residence as 1415 Pinewood Avenue.

Agent checked the vicinity of 3303 Summit Street, the address given by Jay Carter, and found that no such number existed, A check

of the telephone and city directories failed to reveal the name of Jay Carter. A further check on Pontiac, Clifford and Adrian, all streets in the vicinity where 3303 Summit would be, did not disclose the name of any individual with a name the same or similar to that of any person previously mentioned in the files of this case.

In reference to the address 3467 Edgewater Drive, given by J. A. Orhood on his sworn statement of ownership, and to Mr. Holder of the I'Jang Chow Kennels, Agent checked this street and ascertained that there was no such number, the numbers on Edgewater beginning at 5303 and ending at 6343.

Car #2 has since been sold once on August 23, 1934 to Francis J. O'Toole, 3836 Upton Road, then on September 8, 1934 back to Robison Chevrolet and again on September 28, 1934, the Robison Chevrolet sold same to Olive Thacher of the Plaza Hotel in whose possession the records reflect the car still remains.

No effort was made at this time to contact the Robison Chevrolet, Inc., to ascertain how car #1 was paid for, what car was turned in on a trade, who the salesman was, or if Weaver could be identified, for the reason that previous investigations conducted by Bureau Agents at the Robison Chevrolet relative to cars purchased by Arthur Barker, has proved unproductive and it was felt that any inquiries made at the present time would, without a doubt, go back to Burt and Ted Angus who are known at the Robison Company.

Detectives Harry Manson and Merle Unkle were interviewed relative to Louis Levi and they advised that he was presently selling watches and German Luger pistols of which he seemed to have a goodly supply.

Manson stated that he expected to obtain the numbers of some of the watches and pistols and would advise Agent when he did.

The following information obtained from Detective Manson and Detective Unkle is set forth for future reference. Arthur Brown, 728 Humbolt Road, a Toledo police officer for the past seventeen years and a former member of Captain Timminey's Hoodlum Squad, was removed from same after testifying during the Arnoff (Toledo gambler) trial that Capt. Timminey was trying to control rather than eliminate gambling in Toledo. According to Manson and Unkle, Brown knows considerable about Timminey's connections and is the type of individual that if he was questioned closely would become so nervous that he would tell all he knew. His wife Gertrude Ritter is a former Toledo "racket" woman.

In reference to the telephone number Jefferson 1759 called by Frank "Whitey" Warner from the Allerton Hotel, Mr. R. E. Newborn of the telephone company advised that Jefferson 1759 was a party line with the letters J and W. The J number was listed to Richard Mickle, 3387

Collingwood Avenue, Apartment C, a chemist at the Howard Manufacturing Company, and the W number was presently unlisted.

However, it will be recalled that Jefferson 1759-W was formerly listed to Rene and Thelma Holst, 3387 Collingwood Avenue, Apartment F, both of these parties have moved and it is doubtless the number Warner called.

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Confidential Informant [redacted] was interviewed and stated that Lu had left Edith Barry's place about one week ago and had taken her child, Margaret, from Detroit and was presently residing with Gus Jacob at his home, 3508 Suder Avenue.

[redacted] was unable to advance any reason for Lu leaving Edith's, stating that he did not know whether it was permanent or temporary. However, [redacted] stated that [redacted] Edith had called Gus and asked him if Lu was there and although she was, Gus said no.

[redacted] further stated that Edith's maid had called [redacted] looking for her but was unable to find her. [redacted] stated that Lu had not been making much money at Edith's and had on occasion made a few calls unknown to Edith, out of Clara Miller's call house at 228 Seventeenth St.

[redacted]

Continuing, [redacted] stated that during the time Karpis and Campbell were at Edith's house, a girl known as "Peaches" was also there [redacted] that one night "Peaches" and Edith came in drunk and a fight ensued and both lost some hair and a lot of clothes in the melee, and "Peaches" accused Edith of being intimate with Walter the colored man. "Peaches" left shortly afterward and her present whereabouts is not known. However, [redacted] stated that he believes he can secure "Peaches'" true name and address and Agent requested him to do so. It will be recalled here that during the time the tap was maintained on Edith's phone, someone called for "Peaches" and was advised by Walter that she was supposed to be in Milwaukee.

Agent questioned [redacted] about Edith's maid and was advised by him that he did not know her name [redacted] Agent requested [redacted] to point out the house to him and found same to be 431 Pinewood Avenue. Without disclosing his identity, Agent made inquiry in the district and ascertained that Mrs. Margaret M. Arnold, a widow of Harvey, lived there. The vicinity around 431 Pinewood is colored [redacted]

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Agent requested [redacted] to endeavor to draw [redacted] into conversation [redacted] and ascertain if possible, the reason she left Edith's, whether she intends to remain away from there, and any other information he could secure.

During the course of the conversation, [redacted] stated that [redacted] offered to take him at one time to a hideout that Ted Angus had in Canada. [redacted] stated that [redacted] did not tell him where it was at that time and he never went with her. Agent advised [redacted] to secure the location of the hideout if he could do so without arousing any suspicion.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND OFFICE, at TOLEDO AND CLEVELAND, OHIO, will maintain contact with its informants.

THE CLEVELAND OFFICE, at TOLEDO, OHIO, will, when it is deemed advisable, contact the Robison Chevrolet, Inc., 3015 Monroe Street, and ascertain the facts surrounding the sale of Chevrolet sedan, motor #4482615 to Mrs. J. W. Osborne, and the purchase of the Chevrolet sedan, motor #4135550 from Jay Carter on July 24, 1934, and July 23, 1934 respectively.

THE OMAHA OFFICE, at DES MOINES, IOWA, will, at the Ed. O'Dea Chevrolet Company, 623 East Grand Avenue, ascertain all the facts surrounding the purchase of Chevrolet sedan bearing motor #4135550, serial #1 DA03-13359, and license #77-34648, by Weaver using the alias of J. A. Orhood, on March 23, 1934.

THE CHICAGO OFFICE at CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, will, at the American Express Company, 58 East Washington Street, interview E. M. English, Manager, and ascertain who purchased the pad of travelers checks containing a $20.00 check bearing number T-3036311.

THE CHICAGO OFFICE will also ascertain to whom 1934 Illinois license number 1-266-231 was issued.

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2616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
NOVEMBER 5, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
San Francisco, California.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, Et al.;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a copy of a letter from the Bureau to the St. Paul Office, dated October 31, 1935, in the above captioned matter, Bureau file #7-576, wherein it was requested that inquiry be made of Volney Davis for information concerning the participation of Tom Brown, Bill Crumbley, and Harry Sawyer in the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang.

In that Volney Davis is no longer incarcerated in the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, he having been transferred to the U. S. Penitentiary at Alcatraz Island, it is respectfully requested that your office conduct the interview requested in reference letter, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

For your assistance in conducting this interview there is also transmitted herewith one copy of a report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, on 8-24-35, setting out valuable information that Davis has previously furnished the Bureau.

Very truly yours,
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W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
November 5, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 818
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

[redacted]

[redacted]

Letter addressed to [redacted] Sarasota, Florida, [redacted] ing return address: [redacted] Evans Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

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Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, WA;
I.O. NO. 1218, -
FUGITIVE; ET AL.
Edward George Bremer
- VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated October 14, 1935, please be advised that Special Agent J. R. Sharp, of this Office, interviewed Mr. E. W. Walling, manager of the Auto Sales and Service Company, McMinnville, Tennessee, on October 30, 1935.

Mr. Walling advised, in brief, that a man using the name of Robert Lyle Bosche had roomed with some people at Beersheba Springs, Tennessee, from about May 1, 1935, to July 15, 1935. This individual was accompanied by a woman. Beersheba Springs is a mountain resort, south of McMinnville. Bosche had negotiated for the purchase of considerable chicken hatchery equipment, had contracted for a fair-sized piece of land at Beersheba Springs, and had stated his intentions of building several cottages to rent to vacationists.

On July 14, 1935, Bosche appeared at the Auto Sales Company, and negotiated for the purchase of a Dodge Sedan, worth $914.00. After giving considerable information about himself, he wrote a check for $314.00, drawn on the First National Bank of McMinnville, where he claimed to have an account. This was accepted as a down payment on the Dodge, which was delivered to him on that date. The bank was closed at the time, and Mr. Walling was unable to make inquiry at the bank until Monday, July 16, 1935. He then ascertained that Bosche had no account, and

found that Bosche had left for an unknown destination on Sunday evening, in the Dodge automobile.

Mr. Walling checked all the references and information given by Bosche, and found it was all fictitious. Among this information was the facts that Bosche formerly resided at 1722 Jefferson Street, Memphis, Tennessee; that he was in the Bond, Stock, and Real Estate business; that he was formerly employed by the National Carbide Company at Springfield, Illinois; that he had purchased a car previously from the Jackson Motor Company, Jackson, Tennessee; that he had previously dealt with the Starr and Long Grocery Company, Deull Avenue, Memphis, Tenn., the Brown Brothers' Garage, Marquette Street, Memphis, Tennessee, and the Memphis Drug Company, Memphis, Tennessee; that his mother was Mrs. Carolina Bosche, Memphis Grove, Tennessee; that he was a Mason and an Odd Fellow; and that he had a $2,500.00 life insurance policy with the National Life and Accident Insurance Company, at Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. Walling stated that when he read about William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton being apprehended in Florida, where they were operating a chicken farm, he thought that these parties might be the individuals who had been at Beersheba Springs. He stated that after Bosche left Beersheba Springs, several parties had told him that Bosche carried suitcases which were suspiciously heavy, and that the parties with whom Bosche stayed suspected him of being a gangster.

Bosche is described by Mr. Walling as follows:

Age	38
Weight	195 lbs.
Height	6'
Beard	Clean-shaven
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Tan
Appearance	Handsome, neatly-dressed

Mr. Walling inspected the pictures of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, and stated that these were not the parties who had obtained the car from him.

Very truly yours,

T. M. STAPLETON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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November 5, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: MACHINE GUNS IN HANDS
OF CRIMINALS.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from this office to the Director dated September 26, 1935 in the above matter.

Special Agent George J. Starr of this office reinterviewed Mr. Bertschinger, the proprietor of the Hudson Sporting Goods Company. The latter stated that they have made further search among their records but were unable to find any records covering the sale of Thompson Sub-machine guns, Serials #5791, 7880 and 7783. All of these records, he states, are among those which were seized by the police at the time of his arrest and have not been returned to him. He states in connection with the taking of these records and the failure to return same that when the records were taken the two city detectives who took the records also took two good revolvers as exhibits and have not returned these revolvers either. He is certain that he had no other transactions involving the sale of machine guns, other than those set out in the letter of September 26th with the one exception possibly of the machine gun bearing serial #7873, which it is claimed by L. Oppleman of Lynchburg, Virginia, was sold to the Hudson Sporting Goods Company for resale. At the time of the sale of the weapons to the Gary Hardware Company, Gary, Indiana, there was also a sale of some firearms to a coal company in Brooklyn which, however, subsequently was found to be a fictitious company. All of this occurred at about the same time and is all covered by the records seized by the police.

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Moe Saraga, who was to be interviewed regarding the purchase of Browning automatic rifles through Frank S. Jonas from R. F. Sedgley, Inc., as is set forth in letter from this office to the Bureau of July 9, 1935, was not found at the office where he has heretofore done business and a further effort will be made to locate and interview him regarding this and other matters pertaining to his dealings in firearms.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Washington Field
cc Indianapolis

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PHONE. BREKID. [redacted]

ADVISES CHARLES FITZGERALD NEVER IN HURLEY. WHILE BELLE WAS VISITING IN HURLEY LAST JULY 1 RECEIVED TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION FROM CHICAGO, POSSIBLY FROM FITZGERALD, DEPARTING HURRIEDLY AND RETURNING ABOUT TWO WEEKS LATER WITH A WESLEY BEECH, TELEPHONE EMPLOYEE, WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS, AND WIFE AND ANOTHER UNKNOWN COUPLE ALL OF WHOM THEN WENT TO MANKATO. BEECH'S WIFE IS MANKATO GIRL. [redacted]

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

You will recall that on May 6, 1935 Bruno Austin, who was then a subject in the Bremer case, was discharged from custody at St. Paul, Minnesota on an Order of the Court. As a matter of interest to you, the Bureau is now advised that Bruno Austin was tried in the State Court at Chicago, Illinois on the charge of murder on October 11, 1935, was found guilty and on the same date was sentenced to serve life imprisonment. A motion for a new trial was immediately filed, which was to have been heard on October 25th. The Chicago Office will keep the Bureau advised and you will be informed of the results of this motion.

You will recall that counsel for Oliver A. Berg recently made a motion before Judge Joyce at St. Paul, Minnesota, for a reduction in the sentence of Berg, it being noted that he was sentenced to serve life imprisonment on the charge of Conspiracy to Kidnap Edward George Bremer. On October 25, 1935 the Assistant United States Attorney at St. Paul advised that Judge Joyce had informed him that he intended to deny that motion. In connection with this matter, when the motion was filed, the United States Attorney's Office at St. Paul requested the Bureau to furnish all available data concerning the criminal history and criminal activities of Oliver Berg. The files were immediately reviewed and all pertinent information was furnished to the United States Attorney's Office. It is felt that the weight of this information, which was considerable, had a marked bearing upon the opinion of the Judge in deciding to deny the motion. This opinion is expressed by this Agent because Judge Joyce had previously informed the United States Attorney's Office at St. Paul that he intended to reduce the sentence of Berg to forty years, in view of the fact that Berg did not actively participate in the abduction of Mr. Bremer.

Respectfully,

K.R.McIntire.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218 - et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BAKER, Victim - Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

The Chicago Office has transmitted to the Bureau two gunstocks which were made to be fastened on to the butt of an automatic pistol so that the same could be fired after the fashion of a rifle. The trademark of these gunstocks discloses they were manufactured by the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company of Los Angeles, California.

On January 8, 1935, when the apartment of Russell Gibson at Chicago, Illinois was raided after his death, Agents recovered therefrom two twenty-bullet clips for a .45 caliber automatic pistol which, it appears, were made of material identical to the above mentioned gunstocks. It is believed that these two twenty-bullet clips were manufactured by the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company, but in the absence of definite knowledge on this subject the Chicago Office, which has custody of these clips, is requested to examine the same to determine whether they were manufactured by the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company and so advise the Los Angeles Office and the Bureau immediately. In view of the fact that these two articles of firearms equipment were located in the homes of prominent gangsters, it is requested that the Los Angeles Office conduct a proper investigation concerning the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company so that the Bureau will be advised fully with regard to that company.

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It is desired to know when said company was organized and commenced the production of firearms equipment, the nature of the firearms equipment which is manufactured by said company; and it should be determined whether firearms equipment are manufactured for the purpose of

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selling the same to hoodlums or to bona fide purchasers.

The Bureau would like to be advised generally, as to the types of persons to whom the sale of these commodities is being made.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Chicago - Mr. E. J. Connelley
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

Please note the attached letter from the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, concerning the indictment pending in his district against William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, growing out of the Bremer Kidnapping Case at St. Paul. The United States Attorney at St. Paul wrote the Department under date of October 18th, advising that the defendant Weaver has indicated a desire to enter a plea of guilty to the indictments pending at St. Paul provided he is given assurances that Myrtle Eaton will not be prosecuted by the Government. Mr. Sullivan states that the only evidence against Weaver at St. Paul will be the testimony given by Bolton to the effect that he saw Weaver on two different occasions at the hide-out; that if the Government could rely upon Miss Dehmer to give the evidence that she has indicated, the same would be of great value in corroborating the testimony of Bolton, but on the other hand if Weaver stood trial and became informed of the fact that Farmer and Alderton claimed that he, Weaver, was not one of the men guarding Bremer, the defense might subpoena these two men and make it a question for the jury as to whether Bolton was telling the truth or whether Farmer and Alderton were telling the truth as to Weaver being at the hide-out. Mr. Sullivan's letter may be found at the marked place in the attached file.

You will note what the United States Attorney at Jacksonville has to say with respect to the indictment in his district and that he indicates that the ends of justice would be better served if Weaver's proposal to plead guilty on the conditions mentioned should be accepted.

United States Attorney Holland advises that the facts in this matter were presented to a grand jury in his district for the reason "that we understood from the Bureau of Investigation that

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such was the desire of the Department." This Division was not aware of the facts having been submitted to the United States Attorney.

Before taking final action upon the request of the United States Attorney at St. Paul, I would be pleased to receive your views on the matter.

Respectfully,

Joseph B. Keenan
JOSEPH B. KEENAN,
Assistant Attorney General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

This will acknowledge receipt of your memorandum of October 31, 1935, with which you forwarded a letter addressed to the Attorney General by the office of the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, dated October 25, 1935, together with the Department file containing correspondence dealing with the proposed prosecution against William Weaver at St. Paul, Minnesota and Myrtle Eaton at Jacksonville, Florida. The above referred to letter and file are being returned herewith.

Please be informed that prior to the receipt of your memorandum I received a copy of the letter dated October 25, 1935 from the office of the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, to the Attorney General, it having been forwarded by the Jacksonville Bureau Office, and this matter has been given consideration. In view of the opinions expressed by the United States Attorneys at St. Paul, Minnesota and Jacksonville, Florida, and in view of the observations contained in your memorandum of October 31st, the Bureau will defer to your judgment as to the proper procedure to be followed.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Enclosure 82-827.

Bureau has copy of letter of October 25, 1935 to Attorney General from USAtty, Jacksonville, same having been forwarded under date of October 26, 1935 by the Jacksonville Office. (Serial 7-576-15).

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U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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November 6, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to Bureau letter in the above entitled case, dated November 1, 1935, addressed to the Jacksonville Office, a copy of which was forwarded to the New York Office. The New York Office was requested to obtain information pertaining to the arrest of William Elmer Meade by the New York Police Department under the name of Edwin Elza Gaynor on April 12, 1930, under #E-7789. Meade was charged with inquiry by the New York Police Department. The New York Office was requested, after obtaining this information, to submit a disposition sheet.

At the identification bureau of the New York Police Department, it was ascertained that that bureau does not have any record of Meade's ever having been arrested by the New York City Police Department. However, there is a record on file at the New York City Police Department's identification bureau of Meade's having been arrested on March 24, 1930, under the name of Edwin E. Gaynor, by the police of London, England, charged with conspiracy. On April 2, 1930, he was given two six months sentences of hard labor, to run consecutively, in the Police Court of London, England.

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It was ascertained at the identification bureau of the New York City Police Department that Meade's prints were received from London in an exchange of fingerprints between the

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New York Police Department and London, and that it was probable that the prints received from London were forwarded to Washington, D. C. to ascertain the criminal record of Meade, as reflected in the records of the identification unit of this Bureau.

The above facts account for the reason that this Bureau in its letter stated that Edwin Elza Gaynor was arrested by the Police Department in New York City on April 12, 1930, under No. E-7789, when the actual fact is that he was arrested by the Police of London, England, on March 24, 1930.

Disposition sheet on the arrest of William Elmer Meade under the name of Edwin E. Gaynor at London, England, on March 24, 1930, is being forwarded herewith.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Dear Sir:

RE: OSCAR H. ROBSON alias BUSTER ROBSON; UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; JUNE ROBLES - Victim.
EXTORTION.

Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen has suggested that the latent fingerprints found at Tuscon, Arizona, in connection with this case be compared with those of Bryon Bolton, who is presently confined in the Ramsey County Jail, St.Paul, Minnesota, awaiting sentence for his participation in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Mr.H.E.Andersen, Phoenix

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November 4, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Two gunstocks found in apartment occupied by Gus Winkler.

There are transmitted herewith two gunstocks which are manufactured for the purpose of attaching the same to an automatic pistol so that the same may be fired from the shoulder after the fashion of a rifle.

These two gunstocks were located by Officer A. Schuetz of the Chicago Police Department in the apartment then occupied by Gus Winkler on September 24, 1933. They were given to the Chicago Bureau Office for such disposition as they cared to make of them, and are transmitted herewith in the belief that you may feel they will constitute an interesting exhibit for the showcases.

At the time the apartment of Russell Gibson was raided on January 8, 1935, there were found therein two twenty-bullet clips for a .45 caliber automatic pistol. It is my recollection that these clips were made of material identical with the material of which these gunstocks are made. I do not recall the name of the company manufacturing said clips, but it is believed they were made by the company making these gunstocks which, you will note, is the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company of Los Angeles, California.

In view of the fact that both of these pieces of equipment have been located in the homes of gangsters, a letter has been directed to the Los Angeles Office to make an appropriate investigation concerning the Monarch Arms and Manufacturing Company so that the Bureau will be advised fully in the premises.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

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Nov 6th, 1935.

Dear Mr Hoover:

A short while back I and a friend sent a wire collect to the Department there stating that Alvin Karpis Public enemy No 1. was apprehended at Cheyenne Wyoming, we notified the Postoffice Night Man there and he contacted the Marshall U.S. Marshall who arrested a Man after we called

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the postoffice while we
were waiting for the Marshall
and we left so to avoid
suspicion, I returned shortly
afterward and told the
night man to have the
Marshall meet us at the
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same as the description I gave and I am sure that the photograph is perfectly the picture resembled rather, I mean he by other fellows Alvin Karpis had been there a few weeks before but left town because of Justice agents looking for him.

My friend James Karpis which ~~flattered to~~ him a short while before me

washington Collect as we were informed.

If it wasn't Kanpis the Marshall picked up the wrong man through no fault of ours he came back his time getting around.

Now Mr Hoover I wonder if a check could be made and see if this wasn't Kanpis arrested there.

If so as I am as which of Indianapolis, and and I. if a check is made were the ones who gave the information leading to his

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Anyway, I understand there was a large reward for information leading to his arrest that's why we took the chance of informing the authorities.

I'd like information as I also wired the Department of Justice from Sioux City, Iowa to find out if he had been identified as I been afraid I was being

watched and left Oregon.
hurriedly.

If so notify me
at my home address
in Indiana.

Most Respectfully
Leslie J. Eldridge

Received no response so figured
they didn't take the chance of writing
me for specific reasons.
My home address is 6336
Harrison ave, Hammond,
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was Kansas I couldn't
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Mr. Leslie J. Eldridge,
6336 Harrison Avenue,
Hammond, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Eldridge:

Reference is made to your letter of November 6, 1935 which is in confirmation of a telegram previously sent by you and James Ulrich to this Bureau with regard to the identification by you of a person in Cheyenne, Wyoming, whom you believed to be identical with Alvin Karpis.

Please be informed that immediately upon receipt of your telegram proper investigation was conducted which disclosed that the party whom you had pointed out to the United States Marshal at Cheyenne, Wyoming, as being identical with Alvin Karpis, was in fact another individual.

I sincerely appreciate the interest which was demonstrated by you in informing this Bureau of the location of the party whom you believed to be identical with Alvin Karpis.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Indianapolis (with copy incoming letter)
Mr. Connelley at Chicago
" Cincinnati
" Denver

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Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully suggested that in view of the considerable amount of investigative activity being conducted in the Cleveland, Ohio, territory, and the number of known and suspected contacts residing in the Cleveland, Ohio, territory, and inasmuch as two agents of this office are assigned to the investigation of the above-captioned case, in the future, the Cleveland Office be furnished with a copy of all reports and letters pertaining to this case.

Edward S. Pb. ...

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - Chicago File #7-88

A review of this file indicates the following undeveloped leads requiring attention in your district.

Report of Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated August 30, 1935, requests that investigation be conducted to determine the character of the Woodbine Country Club, Duluth, Minnesota, also to determine if this place is operated by John Gordon and to determine if Tommy Gannon frequents this club. This same report requests that surveillance be maintained on the P. & K. Inn at Mankato, Minnesota, in connection with the surveillance which is presently being maintained with respect to Belle Born.

Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated September 5, 1935, requests that interview be had with Byron Bolton, in order to determine if Russell Gibson was in the kidnap car at the time of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, also to secure information as to the location of the apartment where Gibson and his wife were living in St. Paul at the time of the kidnaping.

Bureau letter dated September 14, 1935, requests interviews with William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton for information as to the identities of the persons who visited at their home near Allendale, Florida, during the time they lived there.

Report of Special Agent Edward Scheidt, Charlotte, North Carolina, dated October 16, 1935, requests that a certain group photograph be exhibited to William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton in an effort to ascertain the identities of the persons shown therein.

Letter from the St. Paul office to the Director under date of October 7, 1935, states that a summary report is being prepared as to subject William Weaver.

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Bureau letter dated October 25, 1935, requests an interview with attorney John DeCourcy, in order to determine all information in his possession regarding the alleged death of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

It is desired that the above matters be given immediate attention. It is also requested that in the future investigative reports covering the work in the St. Paul district be submitted at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LAND,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 618,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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Special Agent in Charge,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file indicates an undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated October 3, 1935, which requests that a discreet inquiry be made through Mrs. C. A. Baxter, San Francisco, California, sister of Kate Meade, in an effort to secure information of value which would assist in locating William Kinsey Meade.

Please give this matter your immediate attention. It is requested that in the future reports covering investigative work in your district in this case be submitted at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, L.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, L.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, L.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BRUMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file indicates that the following undeveloped leads for the Portland Bureau office have not as yet been covered.

Report of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated October 3, 1935, requests that discreet inquiry be made through John A. Schmidt of Portland, Oregon, in an effort to obtain information of value which might be helpful in locating William Elmer Meade.

Report of Special Agent J. H. Rice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated October 21, 1935, requests that efforts be made to locate George Brown through Mrs. Lavinia Bell, Ashton, Washington, and also that the present whereabouts of Mrs. John Carver be obtained.

Teletype from the Philadelphia office to the Portland office, dated October 3, 1935, requested that an interview be conducted with Patrick J. Lyons, at Camp Wilson, Tillamook, Washington.

Kindly give these matters your immediate attention and in the future submit investigation reports in this case at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
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Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 4, 1935, advising that a review of your file in this case reflects that certain undeveloped leads mentioned in your letter for the district of the Jacksonville Office have not been covered.

Please be advised that most of the undeveloped leads mentioned in your letter have received some attention, with negative results, and just as soon as they are completed in their entirety investigative reports will be submitted. We are endeavoring to give all undeveloped leads in this particular case in the district of the Jacksonville Office expeditious treatment. However, in many instances this is difficult, due to the large amount of work requiring immediate attention presently pending here.

Your particular attention is invited to the fourth paragraph of your letter, referring to the report of Special Agent E. F. Emerich, Atlanta, Georgia, dated September 30, 1935, requesting inquiries regarding the identity of an attorney named Myerson of Jacksonville, Florida, who represented William E. Meade at one time, and that an interview be had with this attorney if located. In this connection, your attention is invited to my report of July 26, 1935, covering interview with attorney M. H. Myerson of Jacksonville, Florida, who represented William E. Meade until the latter part of 1934. This interview with Myerson was based on undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Mass., dated July 20, 1935, mentioned in the second paragraph of your letter.

Very truly yours,

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of the file indicates an undeveloped lead contained in a letter from Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 20, 1935, requesting that efforts be made to apprehend Ernie LaSalle at a gambling joint in the vicinity of Shannon, West Virginia.

It is desired that this matter be given immediate attention and that a report covering the investigation be submitted immediately.

It is requested that in the future undeveloped leads requiring attention in your district be given immediate attention and that reports be submitted in this case at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file has indicated the following undeveloped leads which require attention in the territory of the Oklahoma City Bureau office.

Report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated May 31, 1925, contains a lead calling for investigation in an endeavor to locate a 1,600 acre ranch said to be operated by one Bert Wickstrom as a "cooling off" spot in the vicinity of Clinton and Taloga, Oklahoma, which might be available to subjects Campbell and Karpis.

A letter from the Pittsburgh office to the Oklahoma City office, dated June 24, 1935, requests that investigation be conducted as to the possibility of subjects Karpis and Campbell being in the vicinity of the towns of Kansas and Spring Creek, Oklahoma.

Report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, dated June 27, 1935, requests that Bob Mayfield of the "Arkansas Travelers" be located and interviewed for information concerning a man named Mel who was formerly a close friend of subject Campbell and who used to drive him from points around Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Coffeyville, Kansas.

Report of Special Agent in Charge E. P. Guinane, Denver, Colorado, dated July 28, 1935, requests that the identity of the person who was arrested with subject Campbell be ascertained from the Oklahoma City Police Department, in order to obtain possible leads of value in effecting the apprehension of Campbell.

Bureau letter dated September 16, 1935, requests that a photograph of a person known as "The Stuttering Kid" be displayed

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to confidential informant [redacted] in order to learn if he is the same individual with whom Karpis was said to be associating in the vicinity of Memphis, Tennessee.

Bureau letter dated October 9, 1936, requests an interview with Dr. Fred D. Sparks, Ponca City, Oklahoma, regarding a man said to resemble Karpis.

Kindly give the above matters prompt attention and in the future please submit investigative reports on this case covering work in your district at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LAND,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file indicates the following undeveloped leads requiring attention in the district covered by the New York Bureau office.

Report of Special Agent W. H. Binns, New York, N.Y., dated August 30, 1935, requests an additional interview with Lieutenant McCue of the New Britain, Connecticut, Police Department, for information as to the location of the sister of Thomas O'Dell in Tampa, Florida, in order to make inquiries through her concerning her brother and William Elmer Meade.

Report of Special Agent G. J. Starr, New York, N.Y., dated September 5, 1935, calls for an interview with Oscar Loynez-Paez at the Hotel Empire, New York City, in order to definitely determine that he is not subject Karpis.

Report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated September 12, 1935, requests that contact be maintained with B. J. Chudack, a clerk at the Lennox House, in order to secure further data regarding a man said to resemble subject Karpis.

Report of Special Agent M. H. Price, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated September 18, 1935, requests that Edward Koeberline be located and interviewed regarding the letter he forwarded to the Postmaster at Brooklyn, New York, concerning this case.

Report of Special Agent Gene H. Henry, New York, N.Y. dated September 23, 1935, requests that investigation be carried forward at Hartford and Torrington, Connecticut, in an effort to secure information of value relating to William Elmer Meade.

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Report of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated October 3, 1935, requests that interviews be had with J. F. Stratton and his daughter Grace at the Hotel Breevoort, New York City, relative to subject Karpis having lived at their home in Reno, Nevada, on South Virginia Street, and also at the Hotel Parkway, Reno, Nevada. This same report requests that contact be maintained with Post Office Inspector Herbert Graham for any information he may receive as to William Kimer Meade. There are also numerous other leads contained in the same report.

Report of Special Agent H. B. Fletcher, Boston, Massachusetts, dated October 11, 1935, requests that investigation be conducted to determine the identity of Samuel Cooper, 810 West 46th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Kindly give the above matters your immediate attention. It is also requested that investigative reports covering work in this case in the district covered by your office be submitted at least twice monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-88

A review of this file has indicated the following undeveloped leads which require attention in your district.

Report of Special Agent William J. McRulty, New York, N.Y., dated October 3, 1935, requests a discreet inquiry at Glendale, California, at a hotel described as being of questionable character for the purpose of securing data of value in effecting the apprehension of William Elmer Meade.

Bureau letter dated October 4, 1935, requests that previous investigation through the wife of C. C. Campbell, brother of subject Harry Campbell, be prosecuted in an effort to learn the whereabouts of subject Campbell. The same Bureau letter requests that investigation concerning C. J. Fitzgerald and Belle Born be pursued through the address of 3547 Sabina Street, Los Angeles, and also through other contact points in the same city.

The report of Special Agent L. K. Cook, San Francisco, California, October 25, 1935, requests a discreet investigation at Pismo Beach, California, in order to learn if subjects Karpis and Campbell have been frequenting that section.

Kindly give these matters your immediate attention. It is also requested that reports covering investigation in the Los Angeles district be submitted at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236 et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. E. Smith dated Cleveland, Ohio November 4, 1935, which contains a lead for this office to ascertain the name of the subscriber to 1934 Illinois license 1,266,231.

Please be advised that these plates were issued at Chicago, Illinois to J. B. Bolton, 55 East Harrison Street, Chicago, Illinois for a 1934 Ford Sedan Motor number 1130843. This car was first observed in Chicago during December, 1934, and subsequent investigation disclosed that it was purchased by Russell Gibson from the Vrba Auto Company, 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois. The automobile in question was seized by Bureau Agents on the night of January 8, 1935 immediately after the raid at Gibson's apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, which resulted in the apprehension of Byron Bolton and the death of Russell Gibson.

For your information this automobile is still in the possession of the Chicago Bureau office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; BARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1234; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file indicates an undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated August 3, 1935, requesting that an effort be made to locate and interview William Weisman and Nicholas Delmore for any information they may have concerning subjects Karpis and Campbell or means of locating these individuals. It is noted that a letter from Special Agent in Charge W. L. Listerman to the New York office, under date of September 26, 1935, stated that arrangements were being made to conduct these interviews.

Kindly give these matters your immediate attention. It is requested that in the future when work in this case is performed in your district, investigative reports be submitted at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
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November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir; In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BRUMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

A review of this file indicates an undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, dated September 5, 1935, requesting that investigation be conducted at Carmi, Illinois, to determine if a Dr. Shaffer, a veterinarian, is identical with Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Please give this matter your immediate attention and in the future submit investigative reports covering work in your district at least bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
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November 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of this file has indicated the following undeveloped leads in your district which have not as yet received investigative attention.

Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, San Francisco, California, dated July 5, 1935, requests that investigation be conducted regarding John Ferrick, in accordance with Bureau letter under date of June 19, 1935. In this connection your attention is also invited to letter from the Salt Lake City office to the Bureau under date of August 19, 1935, relating to this same matter.

Report of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York, N.Y., dated August 23, 1935, requests investigation as to the Reno, Nevada, telephone listings contained in this report covering calls made by J. F. Stratton from New York City as being of possible value in securing information as to subjects Karpis and Campbell.

Report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated September 11, 1935, requests that the trial date of J. F. Stratton at Carson City, Nevada, be obtained in order that he might be contacted and interviewed concerning his knowledge of subjects Karpis and Campbell.

It is requested that these matters be given your immediate attention and that in the future investigative reports covering work in your district be submitted at least bi-monthly.

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
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Washington, D. C.

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November 6, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM
Re: Bremer Case

Reference is made to the letter from the Chicago Office dated October 29, 1935, in which the Chicago Office requested the services of an Agent who could understand the Russian and Lithuanian languages, this Agent to listen in on a telephone of the Karpavicz family.

In keeping with your suggestion, at 12:50 P.M. on November 2, 1935, I telephonically called Mr. Ray Whitley, Special Agent in Charge of the New York City Office, and inquired if there was any reason why the services of Special Agent L. G. Turrou could not be dispensed with in New York. He advised me that other Agents could handle his work, whereupon I told him that he should arrange to have Agent Turrou fly immediately to Chicago and report to Mr. Connelley in the above entitled matter. I did not disclose what the nature of Agent Turrou's duties would be in Chicago. He advised that he would arrange to have Agent Turrou take a plane on that day for Chicago.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

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ALVIN KARPIS, bank robbery, F.O. 1918
FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BENNETT - Victim

KIDNAPING - RANSOM
FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: On October 26, 1935 HARRY SAWYER and WILLIAM WEAVER entered plea of not guilty at St. Paul to indictments charging conspiracy and substantive offense of transporting kidnapers. Oct. 30, motion to withdraw pleas allowed. Motion for bill of particulars, motion to quash, special demurrer, and plea in abatement on behalf of SAWYER entered, argued, and denied. Pleas of not guilty re-entered. On Nov. 5th, trial on all indictments pending this district in this term set for January 6, 1936. BOLTON relates SIEGLER told him $5,000 retainer from Ransom was set aside for Tom Brown. Has never heard of Crowley.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent John L. Madels, Chicago, Illinois 10/17/35; letter from Chicago Office dated October 26, 1935; and Bureau letter to St. Paul Office, Oct. 26, 1935.

DETAILS:

On October 26, 1935, HARRY SAWYER and WILLIAM WEAVER were arraigned before Federal Judge Joyce at St. Paul, Minnesota on indictments charging conspiracy of transporting a kidnaped person in interstate commerce, to which they both entered pleas of not guilty.

On October 30, 1935, motions were filed on behalf of both defendants to withdraw pleas of not guilty and a motion for a bill of particulars, a motion

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to quash, a special demurrer, and a plea in abatement on behalf of SAWYER were entered, argued, and denied. Upon over-ruling these motions filed in behalf of SAWYER, no motions were filed in WEAVER'S behalf, and the pleas of both defendants of not guilty were re-entered.

On Nov. 5, 1935, the first day of the term, trial on all indictments pending in this District in this case were set for January 6, 1935.

In reference to Bureau letter dated October 31, 1935, interview was had with BRYON BOLTON. He stated that to the best of his recollection GEORGE ZIEGLER had complained of the number of persons participating in the division of the ransom money obtained from the BREMER family, during which he mentioned that $5,000 had been set aside to be paid to TOM BROWN of the St. Paul Police Department. BOLTON stated that he had never heard of TOM BROWN and did not question ZIEGLER as to the purpose of this payment, and that this is the only information he has relating to TOM BROWN or any member of the St. Paul Police Department having been involved in the kidnaping.

It may be recalled that BOLTON has been interviewed on this same subject on several occasions heretofore, but no further information has ever been obtained from him indicating that he knew of the alleged participation of BROWN in the kidnaping.

With reference to Bureau letter dated October 26, 1935, relating to the possibility of obtaining further information from WILLIAM WEAVER, it may be stated that WEAVER has been endeavoring to make a proposition effecting the outcome of his case which will be acceptable to the Government, and as this has always been coupled with a request for definite information as to the sentence to be imposed upon him should he enter a plea of guilty, little or no information has as yet been obtained from him.

The Court has appointed Mr. A. Jerome Hoffman as his attorney, and Agent has been informed by United States Attorney Sullivan that Mr. Hoffman has made certain overtures toward disposing of the case against WEAVER without a jury trial.

The matter of endeavoring to procure information from WEAVER with respect to contacts between the Dillinger gang and

members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang will be pursued further. However, while WEAVER is quite loquacious, he has not been very talkative concerning his criminal activities or those of others, apparently feeling that he has information which he could better use as a means of trading for consideration in the disposition of the case against him.

The photograph attached to copy of letter from the Chicago Office to the Washington Field Office dated October 26, was shown to MYRTLE RATON who stated that the photograph was taken at a filling station operated by herself and WILLIAM WEAVER near Allandale, Florida, nearly a year ago; that she does not know the identity of the man in the left of the photograph, the second man being a Catholic priest who visits that section of Florida every year, the third figure that of Mr. Marsh, and the fourth figure that of herself, the fifth is Mrs. Marsh, and the man standing at the left front door of the Oldsmobile Sedan, which can be seen in the enlarged photograph but not in the small photograph, is WILLIAM WEAVER. She further stated that the Marsh's are from someplace in the east and visit that section of Florida every year.

This photograph was also shown to WILLIAM WEAVER, who stated that he knew Mr. and Mrs. Marsh as visitors from someplace he thought to be Pennsylvania or Ohio; that Mr. Marsh is a chicken breeder; that the second man from the left of the photograph is a Catholic priest, name unknown to him, and the man to the extreme left drove the car for this priest; that all of these four persons are winter visitors in Florida. He also identified photograph of MYRTLE RATON and that of himself standing alongside the Oldsmobile Sedan.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 6, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

On the morning of October 26, 1935, Mr. C. W. Humphrey, Chief Clerk, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, telephoned the Detroit Office and advised that Mrs. R. D. Wilson, sister of Wynona Burdette, had appeared at the institution and requested permission to visit Wynona. Mr. Humphrey advised that he would delay the visit until Agents from the Detroit Office arrived to cover same, if it was desired to do so.

In the absence of SAC E. J. Connelley, SAC D. M. Ladd of the Chicago Office advised telephonically that it was desired that the conversation between Mrs. Wilson and Wynona Burdette be covered as thoroughly as possible. Accordingly, Special Agents J. Waldman and A. A. Muzzey were sent to the U. S. Detention Farm with a microphone set to cover the conversation.

In view of the fact that Saturday was men's visiting day at the Farm, Mr. Humphrey advised that the visiting room which had been used previously for the installation of the microphone set could not be used and in the time available, no satisfactory setup of the microphone set could be made elsewhere.

At Agent Muzzey's request, Mr. Humphrey stated he would allow the room adjoining the Superintendent's office to be used, in which room Wynona Burdette has been interviewed on previous occasions by Bureau Agents and in which room it was thought she would not become suspicious that her conversation with her sister was being overheard. Agent Muzzey concealed himself behind the file cabinets in

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a corner of the room and overheard distinctly every bit of conversation between Mrs. Wilson and Wynona Burdette.

Mr. Humphrey before allowing Mrs. Wilson to enter the room with Wynona warned them against handshaking, kissing, and so forth, in accordance with prison regulations, and had previously arranged that a guard would pass on the outside of the room in which the visit was to take place in order to avert any suspicion that the visit was being covered.

A general conversation ensued between Mrs. Wilson and Wynona Burdette at first, which was of no informative value to the Bureau. They then talked about Wynona's clothes which were forwarded from Florida to Mrs. Wilson at Arondale, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Wilson advised that she had received them from a Government man by the name of Hanson who was very nice to her. In their discussion about the clothes, Wynona identified certain pieces as not belonging to her but belonging to "Mother" (Ma Barker). They then talked about a red ensemble which Wynona stated she had purchased in Florida as she and Harry had contemplated getting married at Tallahassee; that she and Harry were going to go straight and settle down in Tallahassee and that Fred Barker was going to supply them with the money.

During the conversation concerning Harry, Mrs. Wilson stated that Harry had visited Mildred's but had not found Mildred at home and had left the sum of $50 with somebody for Mildred. Mrs. Wilson stated that she cannot sleep nights; that she lies awake expecting Harry to put in an appearance at her home at any time and stated that she was scared to death that Karpis might be with him. Wynona told Mrs. Wilson that she did not think Harry knew where she lived but that he could find out; that she hoped Karpis was not with him if he ever did visit Mrs. Wilson because she, too, was scared to death of Karpis. She stated that Karpis was mean and that during the time they were in Florida, Harry would not even let her be around Karpis.

Mrs. Wilson then stated that she thought "Hy" had become a Government man (meaning that he was cooperating with the Department of Justice).

Wynona then said that she and Dolores Delaney -- Dolores particularly -- were going to try to get transfers to Alderson so that they might be on the ground, inasmuch as they are never allowed on the ground at the Detention Farm but are always kept in their cells or on the sun roof.

They spoke about their various relatives and before the visit terminated, Mrs. Wilson stated that she would ask Mr. Hum-

phrey for permission to visit Wynona again on Sunday, October 27, stating that she would remain in Milan over night and would go back to Oklahoma on Sunday. She told Wynona that she had arrived in Milan on Friday night, October 25, coming on the train from Tulsa, and that she had come alone.

Mr. Humphrey granted Mrs. Wilson another visit with Wynona on Sunday, October 27, and this visit took place in the same room as the visit on Saturday. The same arrangements were made, Special Agent Muzzey concealing himself again behind the file cabinets to overhear their conversation.

At this visit Mrs. Wilson spoke of the cheap living in Milan, stating that she had been able to get a hotel room for a dollar; that she had found the food was inexpensive and good and that she was happy that this was so inasmuch as she was afraid her money would not last until she returned home. She told Wynona that she had borrowed $15 from Mr. Mills with whom she traded.

Wynona stated that she had sent some of her clothes to Mrs. Wilson from Milan. Mrs. Wilson then stated that she was not in Arondale at the present time; that she was living in Hominy, but that she was certain the package which Wynona had sent a few days previous to Mrs. Wilson's coming to Milan would undoubtedly be forwarded to her in Hominy.

They then spoke about the death of Clyde (Mildred's husband), Mrs. Wilson stating that she was positive Jim McConnell had killed Clyde and that the Gillespies knew about the killing; that Jim made it look like Clyde was drunk and had driven his car into a culvert but that, in fact, Clyde was hit on the head and had died as a result of the blow and being unconscious had lost control of the car and had run into the culvert; further, that the doctors had said there wasn't enough whiskey in Clyde to have made him so intoxicated that he lost control of the car.

Mrs. Wilson then told Wynona that Helen Lewis had asked her to say "hello" to Wynona and that Helen was living on a rice farm in Tennessee, on the borderline between Arkansas and Tennessee; that she had had a premature baby. She referred to Helen's husband as "Doc."

Wynona then asked Mrs. Wilson if the papers in Oklahoma had carried any stories to the effect that there were any holds on her. Mrs. Wilson stated that she had not seen anything in the newspapers about Wynona and Wynona stated that she knows there are three life sentences and bank holdups against Harry and that he was wanted in Oklahoma; that she hoped Harry had broken away from the

gang, stating that Harry would last longer if he had done so.

Mrs. Wilson stated that after Harry had visited Mildred, the Government men went to Mildred's home and stayed there for two weeks; that there were four of them there at night and two in the daytime and that Mildred's children had been taken away from the house. Mrs. Wilson said that she had gone to Mildred's and had noticed something suspicious and thought perhaps Harry was there, but when she went to get a drink of water she found it was only the Government men. She went on to say that Mildred had cooked for these men and they had purchased all the food. She said that Richard, her husband, had been questioned by the Government men and that they had also asked her whether she knew Harry Campbell and that she had told them she did not remember Harry Campbell. Wynona then said, "Remember when Hanson and another G-man came out one day, you know the one I mean, the heavy set one?" Mrs. Wilson replied, "Yes." Wynona then laughed but did not elaborate.

Mrs. Wilson then said that everybody knew Wynona did not go back to Harry Campbell willingly but that she was forced to go back with him. She again expressed her fear that Harry would visit her or Mildred again. Mrs. Wilson also said that Harry Campbell had visited his mother twice since Wynona had been incarcerated at Milan and Wynona seemed to indicate that she knew this. (2)

Wynona asked Mrs. Wilson whether she had received the letters which she had sent to her from St. Paul, Wynona stating that she had sent them to Blanche to give to Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Wilson stated that she had not received the letters.

Wynona said she was going to try to get a parole; that a Government man had send a recommendation to Washington in an attempt to get a parole for her but she did not know whether that would do any good or not.

They then talked about Karpis, Wynona saying that Dolores certainly picked a lemon when she picked Karpis; that he was ugly, had big feet, long legs and a long face and was as mean as the dickens.

Wynona then asked Mrs. Wilson to take back to Oklahoma with her certain pieces of jewelry and articles of clothing, among which was a pair of pajamas belonging to Harry Campbell. Wynona asked Mrs. Wilson to keep these pajamas for her inasmuch as she wanted them for a remembrance of Harry in case she never saw him again. She also requested Mrs. Wilson to keep a watch chain of Harry's. It seemed evident that Wynona is still madly in love with

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Harry Campbell, from the conversation had between her and Mrs. Wilson.

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It is not believed that Wynona and Mrs. Wilson were aware or even suspicious that their visit was being covered in view of the fact that they spoke of intimate matters concerning women.

Mrs. Wilson stated, before her departure, that she would attempt to see Wynona again some time and that she might have some news for her about Harry.

Very truly yours

W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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November 6, 1935

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Re: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Attention: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

[redacted] is identical with one William Elmer Meade, who is an international confidence man, having a criminal record not only in the United States but also in London, England, and who has practiced his confidence schemes throughout the United States. He is presently the subject of a very intensive search on the part of this Bureau. Because of the interest which this Bureau holds in Meade, I was especially pleased to receive your communication.

As a matter of interest to you, Meade has used the following aliases:

William Elmer Meade	E. E. Laird
J. W. Meed	Edward E. Gaynor
John Henry Foster	C. C. Chase
Edwin Elmer Gaynor	John J. Meadows
Ora Clark	William E. Reed
Charles E. Carter	"Judge"
Ora Taylor	J. W. Reed
C. O. Chase	Wm. E. Meed
J. W. Parker	Ora Fuller
J. H. Parker	C. L. Lane
"Christ Kid"	C. E. Charles
"Christian Kid"	Frank Taylor

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There are transmitted herewith copies of Meade's photograph, in which he is shown in a standing and a sitting position. I am also inclosing copies of his criminal record.

Investigation has disclosed that Meade's finger tips have been severely mutilated, as a result of which, when he was arrested at Northampton, Massachusetts, on July 12, 1935, the mutilation was so bad it was impossible to effect an identification until after he had been released. In view of the mutilated condition of his finger tips, I am sending to you herewith copies of his fingerprints before mutilation and after mutilation.

Meade is described as follows:

Age:	About 65 60
Height:	5' 10" to 11"
Weight:	150
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Medium
Hair:	Black, turning gray - partially bald gray
Mustache:	Same color
Eyes:	Blue
Nationality:	American
Occupation:	Confidence man
Peculiarities:	Speaks with a querulous voice. Frequently uses "ain't" and double negative. Apparently has worn a toupee. Left eye blinks nervously. Left shoulder and left side of face partially paralyzed. Right corner of mouth is drawn down when speaking.
Religion:	Catholic and faithful to his Church.
Marks:	Large birthmark back of left hand. Large birthmark back of right hand.

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The information contained in the letter of [redacted] is being brought to the attention of the Buffalo, New York, and Boston, Massachusetts, Offices of this Bureau, which are being requested to conduct the proper investigation at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, and Eggelsten, Maine.

Assuring you of my desire to cooperate with you in all matters of mutual interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago (with copy of letter from [redacted]
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TITLE:	CHARACTER OF CASE:
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM	Kidnaping; Harbouring; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. LaVenia Bell has no knowledge of present whereabouts of George Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meadows have no knowledge of present location of George Brown. Addresses of George Brown's sisters, Mrs. John Carver and Mrs. J. W. Sparks, and his brother, Neil Brown, secured.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. H. Rice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 10-21-35.

DETAILS:

--- At Mabton, Washington ---

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Meadows, who operate a gasoline filing station at the intersection of the Mabton-Sunnyside Road and the Grandview Road, located about two miles east of Mabton, advised that they had never heard of the whereabouts of George Brown from the time he shot Deputy Ben Pearson in Caney, Oklahoma. That they were in Caney, Oklahoma, at the time of the shooting and that is the

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the last they heard of the whereabouts of George Brown. That when they moved to their present location Mrs. John Carver and her sister Mrs. J. W. Sparks resented their moving to Mabton, Washington, as the sisters figured that they were being followed in an attempt to get a lead on George Brown. The Meadows both stated that the sisters never mentioned George Brown and that they would not furnish any information, if they had any, concerning his present whereabouts. Further they believed that any inquiry from them would be met with hostile answers. They advised that they doubted whether Mrs. Bell could furnish any information concerning the whereabouts of George Brown. They stated that though they were in Caney, Oklahoma, at the time of the shooting and knew both of George Brown's sisters; that they never saw George Brown, consequently they could not furnish a description of him.

Mr. Jesse Bell, husband of LaVenia Bell, advised that he had never met George Brown. That to his belief George Brown was dead, as his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Carver, had tried to locate him at various times but her efforts were unsuccessful. He advised that Mrs. John Carver was presently living at Port Orchard, Washington. On R.R. #1. Her house is located just below the Old Soldiers Home at the bottom of the hill. That this is near Annapolis, Washington, but that her mail is sent to Port Orchard, Washington. He could not furnish the correct address of Mrs. J. W. Sparks, another sister of George Brown, who presently lives in Seattle, Washington. He stated that a brother, Neil Brown, to his understanding was presently living in Winchester, Idaho.

Mr. Robert Ashley, Clerk at the Post Office, advised that the forwarding address of Mrs. J. W. Sparks was 5808 Gennesse or Jennesse Street, Seattle, Washington.

--- At Wapato, Washington ---

Mrs. La Venia Bell was interviewed at the Big "Y" Store Plant where she is presently employed as an apple sorter. She advised that she was a small girl when George Brown killed a man in Caney, Oklahoma, and she never heard of his whereabouts after that time. She advised that her mother, Mrs. John Carver, to her knowledge had never heard from her brother George Brown. She stated that Mrs. J. W. Sparks of Seattle, Washington, was her aunt, but she did not know of any uncle in Winchester, Idaho.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

PORTLAND BUREAU OFFICE: At Port Orchard, Washington: Will interview Mrs. John Carver, who lives on R.R. #1, Port Orchard, Washington, and whose home is located at the bottom of the hill just below the Old Soldiers Home. This is located near Annapolis, Washington. Ascertain if she has any information concerning the whereabouts of her brother George Brown. Secure his description. Ascertain if he has any relatives living in Winchester, Idaho, as suggested in this report, or any other immediate relatives.

At Seattle, Washington: Will interview Mrs. J. W. Sparks, 3808 Genesse or Jenesse Street for any information she has concerning the present whereabouts of George Brown. Also any information she has concerning any immediate relatives of George Brown, particularly if she has a brother Niel Brown living in Winchester, Idaho.

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PHONE. BREKID REFERENCE AIR MAIL LETTER CHICAGO OFFICE DATED 10-29-35 CONCERNING CONVERSATIONS OVER KARPAVICZ TELEPHONE. AGENT TURROU DEFINITELY ADVISES CONVERSATIONS ARE IN LITHUANIAN AND NOT UNDERSTANDABLE TO HIM. FIRST CONVERSATIONS SINCE AGENT TURROUS ARRIVAL TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT. LENGTHY CONVERSATION TODAY BETWEEN MRS. KARPAVICZ AND MRS. NEWBOLD IN LITHUANIAN. SUGGEST AGENT ABLE UNDERSTAND LITHUANIAN RELEIVE AGENT TURROU IF SUCH AGENT AVAILABLE AND AGENT TURROU MAY BE RELEIVED FOR RETURN HEADQUARTERS UPON BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS. SURVEILLANCE AT KARPAVICZ RESIDENCE WITHOUT RESULTS TO DATE. NO DEVELOPMENTS [redacted]

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE, ET AL.
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to my letter to Mr. E. J. Connelley of the 1st instant, and to report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated 10/26/35.

[redacted], returned from Hurley and Ironwood, Wisconsin, where she endeavored to secure information from relatives concerning the whereabouts of Charles Fitzgerald. She stated that she had made inquiry of [redacted] at Hurley, Wisconsin, and had learned that Fitzgerald had never been seen in that vicinity; that Belle never discussed Fitzgerald very much with people in Hurley, but had referred to him as Chuck Murphy; that in the latter part of July, Belle Born was visiting Vera Vioski when she received a long distance telephone call from Chicago, possibly from Fitzgerald; that she immediately picked up and left for Chicago on the first train or bus, and was gone a couple of weeks; that upon her return to Hurley, two couples arrived with her or at about the same time; that one of the couples was Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Beach; that Mr. Beach is an employe of the telephone company at Waukegan, Illinois, and his wife is a former Mankato, Minnesota, girl; that she did not ascertain the identity of the other couple; that these persons accompanied Belle to her home in Mankato, as mentioned in report of Agent Suran referred to above.

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The matter of having an Agent interview [redacted] will be discussed with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley upon his arrival in St. Paul this evening.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN, S.A.
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E.J.Connelley,Chicago.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 6, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated September 19, 1935, relative to the exhibition of the most recent photographs of various members of the gang and especially those of Weaver, Eaton and Sawyer, to individuals in Cleveland, Ohio.

Your attention is respectfully called to the letter from the Cleveland Office dated September 25, 1935 wherein a request was made for photographs of:

Gladys Sawyer	William Weaver
Harry Sawyer	Myrtle Eaton
Alvin Karpis	Wynona Burdette
Harry Campbell	Byron Bolton

To date, the photographs have not been received.

It is respectfully requested that the Cleveland Office be furnished with photographs of the above-named individuals in order to complete the investigation requested.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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November 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1216, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

It is observed that the photographs requested in your letter of November 6, 1935 have already been transmitted to your office.

Supplementing your supply of such photographs, I am furnishing you herewith six photographs of Volney Davis and three copies each of the most recent photographs available of the following persons:

William Weaver
Myrtle Eaton
Wynona Burdette,

which will be of further assistance to you in conducting the investigation previously requested by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Director
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey today requested that hereafter all reports containing information of value be forwarded in duplicate to the United States Attorney's office, inasmuch as both he and the United States Attorney, George F. Sullivan, are both engaged in the preparation of this case for trial.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Mr. E.J. Connelley

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November 7, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Please refer to my letter of September 30, 1935, in which your office was requested to undertake immediately a thorough but cautious inquiry into the source of the rumors to the effect that a representative of the Federal Laboratories may have supplied members of the Barker-Karpis gang with Thompson sub-machine guns.

To date the Bureau has not been advised of the results of this investigation. You are, accordingly, requested to submit a report relative to this matter at a very early date.

Very truly yours,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee Wisconsin

November 6, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
KIDNAPING

On November 6, 1935, Assistant United States Attorney Harold E. Hanson of Madison, Wisconsin communicated with me by telephone, at which time he advised that the Madison, Wisconsin Police Department had provided him with the following information.

On May 23, 1935 a jewelry store, operated by R. W. Nelson, 330 State Street, Madison, Wisconsin, was burglarized. Subsequent to the burglary of that jewelry store, Sam Johnson, alias John Samson, alias Samuel Johnson, and Richard Graham were arrested in connection therewith. A few days ago Johnson and Graham were convicted on a charge of burglarizing the R. W. Nelson Jewelry Store. Information was received by the Madison Police Department indirectly through Sam Johnson and directly through his attorney to the effect that the jewelry store was actually burglarized by Volney Davis. A part of the stolen merchandise obtained at the time of the robbery of the R. W. Nelson Jewelry Store was found in the possession of Johnson at the time of his arrest. It was claimed, however, that Volney Davis came to Madison, Wisconsin a few days prior to the burglary of the store and rented an apartment under the name of G. L. Jordan at 126 East Wilson, Madison, Wisconsin.

Mr. Hanson stated that the Madison, Wisconsin Police Department desired to obtain information concerning the whereabouts of Volney Davis on May 23, 1935.

Inasmuch as the file of the Milwaukee Bureau Office pertaining to this matter is incomplete, I communicated by telephone with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd of Chicago, who advised that the files of the Chicago Bureau Office fail to contain accurate information

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as to the whereabouts of Volney Davis each day prior to his arrest, but it appeared that Volney Davis was in Kansas City for a greater portion of the time for several weeks prior to his arrest in Chicago on June 1, 1935.

I provided this information to Assistant United States Attorney Harold E. Hanson. I have also instructed Special Agent Albert Franz to immediately contact the Madison, Wisconsin Police Department and to conduct appropriate inquiry for the purpose of determining whether Volney Davis or any other members of the Karpis-Barker gang may have been in Madison, Wisconsin during the period indicated.

The Bureau will be immediately advised as to any further developments in this matter.

Very truly yours,

V. W. Peterson

V. W. PETERSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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LAH:ON

November 5, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Telephone Call of Special Agent Starr.

Agent George Starr called the Laboratory by telephone from the New York office at 2:30 P.M. today and referred to the Browning Automatic rifles concerning which question has arisen as to the duplication of numbers appearing on rifles seized in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping case and certain rifles in the Rock Island Arsenal. Mr. Starr stated that one of the guns seized in the Bremer case and one of the guns from the Rock Island Arsenal have been disassembled at the Winchester factory and that the experts there have arrived at the conclusion that the rifle which they are examining and which was confiscated in the Bremer case is a genuine Winchester product, whereas the rifle from the arsenal is made from parts and probably assembled at the arsenal.

Mr. Starr indicated that he had received a telephone call from Major Hession this afternoon, during the course of which Major Hession, although reluctant to make a definite statement on the telephone, gave him to understand that it is the belief of the experts at the Winchester factory that the rifle from the Rock Island Arsenal was assembled at the arsenal probably to replace a missing rifle.

Mr. Starr stated that Major Hession was of the opinion it might be of benefit to have an expert from the Technical Laboratory proceed to the Winchester factory to examine the guns now disassembled there. I told Mr. Starr that I would look into the matter and advise him later in order that he might communicate with Major Hession.

I talked with Mr. Tamm this afternoon and advised him of the fact that Mr. Parsons will be absent from the city on subpoena for several days beginning tomorrow and that further I could not see why it would be necessary for a laboratory expert to go to New Haven inasmuch as the gun from the Rock Island Arsenal can be shipped to the Laboratory for disassembling and examination. This procedure would permit the examination of the gun by Mr. Baughman and other Bureau experts. Mr. Tamm agreed with this suggestion and indicated, however, that it would be advisable to have Mr. Starr proceed to the Winchester factory and to make a report on his interview there. Accordingly, I called the New York office and advised Mr. Whitley that Mr. Starr should go to the Winchester factory and submit a report.

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Respectfully,

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Chicago, Illinois.

November 7, 1935

Honorable E. J. Kruetgen,
Postmaster,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir,

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this Office, it is respectfully requested that a 30 day cover be placed on all first class mail and parcel post addressed to John Post, 1844 North Spaulding Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

It is [illegible] tracings be made of this mail and [illegible] rime be immediately forwarded to this Office. Kindly refer to our File No. 7-82 in submitting these tracings.

Your cooperation in this connection will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218 et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
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P. O. Box 1383

Butte, Montana, November 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; Dr. JOSEPH P. CURRAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
Butte File 7-12

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of and replying to your letter dated November 1, 1935, in regard to leads set out in the report of Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Butte, dated September 4, 1935, which contained a lead relative to a mail cover on the Muerenberg and requesting contact with Deputy Marshal D. A. Batchoff, I would respectfully state that this investigation has continued since the date of that report.

This morning I personally interviewed Deputy Batchoff who advised that he had secured no information of value about the woman or her rooming house, but that he was keeping close watch and would report promptly anything he learned. As he lives not far from the place and has done considerable investigative work, I believe that he will do as promised.

I also interviewed Assistant Postmaster William J. Corbitt at the Post Office and he advised that nothing [illegible] known that would [illegible] that he [illegible] [illegible] and will [illegible] [illegible].

Further report will be made as soon as anything can be developed.

Very truly yours,

D. H. Dickason
Special Agent in Charge

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ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE - IO #1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.	KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Files in Motor Vehicle Dept., Santa Fe, N.M., do not disclose record of car being registered under name of Floyd "Red" Fonda and no one who tallies with description of this person seen in Santa Fe. Fonda is not calling for mail there.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J.B.Shiley, Denver, Colo., 9-9-35.

DETAILS: AT SANTA FE, N.M:-

The files in the Motor Vehicle Department, State of New Mexico, were checked and they do not disclose any record of a person named Floyd "Red" Fonda registering an automobile.

H.C.Martin, State Police, was interviewed and stated he also had checked the above mentioned records and had been unable to find an automobile registration in the name of Floyd or Red Fonda. Mr.Martin stated he had had a man spotted whom he thought might be Fonda, but the description of Fonda in report of reference does not tally with the person whom he suspected; that his suspect has very black hair, is dark complected, and will weigh about 180 lbs.

A check at the Post Office was made and no person is calling for mail under the name of Floyd Fonda.

No one answering description of Floyd "Red" Fonda is known to the Police Department at Santa Fe.

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PHONE. BREKID. JOHN SAMPSON AND ANOTHER UNNAMED INDIVIDUAL CONVICTED RECENTLY AT MADISON WISCONSIN ON JEWELRY STORE ROBBERY CHARGE WHICH TOOK PLACE AT MADISON ON MAY 23, 1935. BOTH NOW CLAIM VOLNEY DAVIS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ROBBERY AND STATE DAVIS RESIDED 126 EAST WILSON STREET, MADISON THAT TIME. WHEN MATT GLEASON HOUSE, AURORA ILLINOIS RAIDED FOR VOLNEY DAVIS ON FEBRUARY 6, 1935, JOHN SAMPSON AND WIFE FOUND RESIDING THERE. BOTH MADE SIGNED STATEMENTS TO AGENTS CONCERNING VOLNEY DAVIS HIDING AT GLEASONS HOUSE. REPORT AGENT SURAN, CHICAGO, DATED JUNE 10, 1935 RECORDS INTERVIEW WITH VOLNEY DAVIS, WHO ADMITS RESIDING MADISON WISCONSIN WEEK OR TEN DAYS PRIOR TO ARREST IN CHICAGO ON JUNE 1, 1935. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED AGENT MADALA, WHO IS FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS AS TO THIS, WILL TODAY INTERVIEW JOHN SAMPSON, WHO IS NOW STATE PENITENTIARY, WAUPUN WISCONSIN. STATEMENT BY JOHN SAMPSON MAY NOW GREATLY STRENGTHEN CASE AGAINST GLEASON. SAMPSON WILL PROBABLY BE WILLING MAKE CORREST STATEMENT AS HE UNDOUBTEDLY HARBORED DAVIS IN MADISON. NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS AS TO [redacted] NO TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS OVER KARPAVICZ TELEPHONE SINCE AGENT MUZZEYS ARRIVAL.

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October 19, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of Special Agent John E. Brennan dated at St. Paul, Minnesota on October 7, 1935 in which it is shown that the .45 calibre Army revolver which was recovered from the possession of Weaver at his home in the vicinity of Allandale, Florida was in fact obtained by William Weaver from Tommy Carroll, deceased Dillinger gangster, more than a year ago.

This information is being submitted to you because it shows one more connection between members of the Dillinger gang and members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

A letter has been directed to the St. Paul Office requesting that in their interview with William Weaver all information with regard to contacts between the two gangs be obtained.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Interlocking of the Dillinger and Barker - Karpis Gangs.

The files in the Barker - Karpis and Dillinger cases disclose the following interesting information with regard to the close contact between members of the Dillinger gang and members of the Barker - Karpis gang:

Alvin Karpis consorted with Dolores Delaney, while Tommy Carroll, of the Dillinger gang, consorted with the sister of Dolores Delaney, namely, Jean Delaney. As a matter of interest to you, it is also noted that the third Delaney sister is the wife of Albert "Pat" Reilly who was also a Dillinger gangster.

The files disclose that both gangs had mutual contacts with Harry Sawyer in St. Paul, Minnesota, it being remembered that Harry Sawyer took the place of Dapper Dan Hogan, who was murdered in gangland fashion. The Barkers had their contacts with Harry Sawyer for a considerable period prior to the advent of John Dillinger. The manner in which Dillinger made his contact with Harry Sawyer is not known, but it will be remembered that very definite information has been obtained that Homer Van Meter, Tommy Carroll, "Pat" Reilly and other members of the Dillinger gang were very friendly with Harry Sawyer.

Both gangs had mutual contacts with Louie Ceronsky, of Fox River Grove, Illinois. Ceronsky is perhaps the most notorious harborer of dangerous criminals who has ever come to the attention of the Bureau. [redacted] has given the Bureau splendid information with regard to members of these two gangs being harbored by Louie Ceronsky. Similar information has been obtained from various members of the Barker - Karpis gang and also from [redacted]

The two gangs also had mutual contacts with Joey and Bobby O'Brien, who are alleged to be the operators of the Hi-Ho Club in Chicago, Illinois. It has been intimated from time to time that the O'Briens furnished members of the Barker - Karpis and also members of the Dillinger gangs with arms and ammunition. The Bureau has been unable to develop any specific information along this line.

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The two gangs also had mutual contacts with Tom Brown, former Chief of Police at St. Paul, Minnesota. You will recall that Baby Face Nelson advised representatives of this Bureau that members of the Dillinger gang contributed substantial financial assistance to Tom Brown when he recently ran for election as sheriff of Ramsey County, of which St. Paul, Minnesota, is the county seat. Very positive information has also been obtained to the effect that Tom Brown on several occasions warned members of the Barker - Karpis gang to evacuate their apartments in anticipation of police raids. Brown also acted as an informer for members of the Barker - Karpis gang during the Bremer kidnaping period and was to receive a substantial portion of the ransom in payment for his services.

The Seafood Inn, near Elmhurst, Illinois, also appears to have been a place of mutual contacts for the two gangs. It will be remembered that after the shooting of John Hamilton in the vicinity of South St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 23, 1934, members of the Barker - Karpis gang and also members of the Dillinger gang met at the Seafood Inn where John Hamilton in a badly wounded condition was transferred from the automobile driven by Homer Van Meter to the automobile of Volney Davis and was then transported to the home of Volney Davis, 415 Post Street, Aurora, Illinois. Davis cared for Hamilton as best he could until Hamilton died on the night of April 26, 1934. Dillinger and Van Meter remained at the home of Davis during this period and did not leave his home until the night of April 29, 1934, after Davis had obtained an automobile through Elmer Farmer so that Dillinger and Van Meter could make a safe getaway. The persons burying Hamilton the night of April 26, 1935, were "Doc" Barker, Harry Campbell, John Dillinger, Homer Van Meter, William Weaver and Volney Davis.

Your attention is now directed to the close contact which Baby Face Nelson maintained with Frank B. Cochran, operator of the Air Service Garage, 241 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada. The presence of Baby Face Nelson in Reno, Nevada, to our knowledge, antedated that of members of the Barker - Karpis gang. Cochran was convicted and sentenced to a year and one day and to pay a $2,000 fine on the charge of having harbored Lester Gillis. Investigation of the Bremer case in Reno, Nevada, disclosed that in November and December of 1933 members of the Barker - Karpis gang had their automobiles repaired at the Air Service Garage in Reno, Nevada. At the time this investigation was conducted, Frank Cochran identified the photographs of several members of the Barker - Karpis gang.

You will also recall that Thomas C. Williams, alias Tobe Williams, of Vallejo, California, was convicted on the charge of having hartored Baby Face Nelson. In this connection your attention is directed to the fact that investigation in the Bremer case has disclosed that Alvin Karpis during February of 1933 had his tonsils removed at the hospital operated by Tobe Williams at Vallejo, California. This information was furnished by Williams voluntarily to an Agent of this Bureau. Williams has also advised that he became acquainted with Mrs. Kate Barker during the Spring of 1933 and that he visited with her at Lake Tahoe, Nevada. He also recalled having seen her on the street and talked to her subsequent to that time, when she advised him that she was in California having her eyes treated. He disclaimed any knowledge of the Barker brothers and denied knowing that Ma Barker was in any way related to the Barker boys.

It is interesting to note, however, that during the last days of September 1934, Baby Face Nelson, his wife and Patsy Negri visited Tobe Williams at Vallejo, California, at which time Nelson asked Williams where he, Nelson, could get in touch with Freddie and Ray, undoubtedly referring to Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis. Tobe Williams told Nelson at that time if he, Nelson, would return in the Spring of 1935, he, Williams, would be able to arrange a contact between Nelson and Freddie and Ray. At this time Tobe Williams introduced Nelson to a stranger. Nelson later advised Patsy Negro that this stranger was a good contact to get in touch with Freddie and Ray.

You will now recall that a .45 caliber Array automatic revolver which was found in the possession of William Weaver on September 1, 1935, at the time of his apprehension at Allandale, Florida, was obtained by Weaver, according to his own admission, from Tommy Carroll, deceased Dillinger gangster. Weaver alleged that he obtained this gun from Carroll more than a year ago.

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advised agents of this Bureau that members of the Barker - Karpis gang were very friendly with the Graham - McKay outfit in Reno, Nevada. Investigation has also disclosed that members of the Barker - Karpis gang at several times after the Bremer kidnaping visited Reno, Nevada, with efforts being made to immediately dispose of some of the ransom money so that the gang would have some ready

cash and discussing arrangements whereby "Doc" Barker and Fred Getz would fly to Reno in order to dispose of a certain quantity of the money. Getz declined to fly to Reno for this purpose since he was not known to the proper persons at that place. Getz failing to make the trip, "Doc" Barker flew to Reno and returned with approximately ten one thousand dollar bills. One of these one thousand dollar bills was found on Fred Getz on March 20, 1934, at the time of his violent death on the streets of Cicero, Illinois. This bill, according to Edna Murray was a mate to another one thousand dollar bill which Volney Davis had in his possession at the time of the death of Getz. Baby Face Nelson acted as chauffeur for William J. Graham, of Reno, Nevada. He frequently brought cars of Graham's to the Air Service Garage where they were repaired by mechanics hired by Frank B. Cochran. It has been intimated and is strongly believed by Agents who have conducted pertinent investigation that Roy John Frisch was done away by Baby Face Nelson and John Paul Chase due to the solicitation of William J. Graham in order to prevent Frisch from testifying against Graham in a mail fraud case which was to be heard in New York City.

When Byron Bolton was taken to the County Jail at Chicago, Illinois, in August of 1935, he advised that Karpis had a contact on the West Coast known as "Soap" and that he had often heard members of the Barker - Karpis gang speak of this person, "Soap". "Soap" is identical with Anthony "Soap" Mareno, who is considered to be a dangerous criminal on the West Coast and who was a harborer of Baby Face Nelson. Mareno was sentenced to serve six months in the county jail on the charge of conspiracy to harbor Lester Joseph Gillis.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
827 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

November 8, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM -
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter directed to the Bureau, dated October 10, 1935, from the Jacksonville Office, which refers to Bureau file number 62-28539, and more particularly to the request of Henry Randall that his Ford coupe be delivered to him at Newark, New Jersey.

I am in receipt of a letter dated November 5, 1935, from Henry Randall, Hotel Grant, Newark, New Jersey, copies of which are transmitted herewith, and in which it should be noted that Randall has been offered a position in Florida and in connection with which he will be in Jacksonville in about three weeks. He is desirous at such time to obtain his automobile.

Randall is being advised to communicate with the Jacksonville Office of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Listerman

W. L. LISTERMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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HOTEL GRANT

822 Broad Street Newark, N. J.

November 5th. 1935.

U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Bureau of Investigation,
Trenton, N.J.

Special Agent in Charge

Dear Sir,

About five weeks ago one of your Agents out of the Trenton Office called upon me and showed me a letter which stated that the Dept. of Justice had decided to return my car to me and would like to know where to ship same.

I advised your Agent that it would be convenient to have it shipped to the above address but up to date I have not received same nor have I received any reply to the letter I wrote the Jacksonville office a few weeks ago regarding the delay in shipment of the car.

I have a position offerred me in Florida for the winter and would appreciate any information you may be able to supply regarding the proceedure it will be necessary for me to take to get my car out of Jacksonville as I will be in that city in about three weeks time. Trusting you will be able to enlighten me on this matter.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) HENRY RANDALL.

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November 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1718; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, dated at Boston, Massachusetts, July 20, 1935, on pages ten and eleven of which it is noted that the Boston Office is in possession of a penciled note in the handwriting of Meade, which he asked Sergeant Kelley to deliver for him, reading as follows:

"Mr. Herbert - Callahan - Attorney.
Phone. Lafayett. 6050 - Try - Residence
Boston - Mass.
Being - Held - Here - County - Jail -
Default - Two - Hundred Dollars - Bond -
Please - See Fred - and - Have - Matter -
Taken - care - of - at - Once.

(Signed) C. E. Carter"

It is desired that this penciled notation be forwarded to the Bureau immediately.

In connection with this matter, please advise the Bureau whether there is any indication that this note was ever delivered by Sergeant Kelley, so that the information contained in it would come into the possession of Herbert Callahan.

Please advise the Bureau how long this penciled notation was in the possession of Sergeant Kelley before it was delivered to Agent Plunkett.

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Your office has undoubtedly observed by this time that the Fred mentioned in the penciled notation is perhaps identical with Fred Flowers alias Fred Farrell.

Please expedite the investigation disclosing the manner in which Attorney Callahan learned of the presence of William Elmer Meade in the County Jail at Northampton, Massachusetts.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO FILE NO. 7-3

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Phoenix, Arizona	11/4/35	10/30-31/35	I. E. Nitschke HI

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim,	KIDNAPING HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at the Sheriff's Office, Flagstaff, Arizona, disclosed the fact that the report that Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis had been in that vicinity was apparently unfounded as that department had no report of the activities of these three individuals being in that vicinity. Investigation at the Board of State Institutions, Phoenix, Arizona, disclosed the fact that their records did not reveal the name of Alfey Smith ever having been incarcerated in any Arizona state industrial school for women.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated October 4, 1935.

DETAILS: AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

An examination of the records in the office of the Board of State Institutions at the Capitol Building, Phoenix, failed to disclose the name of Alfey Smith ever having been incarcerated in an Arizona school for delinquents.

Inquiry among the personnel of the Sheriff's Office, Flagstaff, Arizona, relative to any activity in that vicinity on the part of Volney Davis, Harry Campbell or Alvin Karpis, indicated that such report was apparently unfounded as these officers had not obtained any report as to the activities of these individuals in that vicinity nor had they received any information concerning the activities of anyone answering the descriptions of Davis, Campbell or Karpis, in the vicinity of Flagstaff.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Raymond Rich SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio — FILE NO. Jax 7-24

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Jacksonville, Fla.	11/7/35	10/22/35	H. L. Sloan

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1256; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1238; et.al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.	KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Lawrence Johnson sold shotgun to J. W. Osborne August 15, 1935. Advised by Jack London August 26, 1935, there was some possible connection between Osborne and William Weaver. Johnson states did not see picture of Weaver in Daytona Beach, Florida, Post Office. London corroborated Johnson's statements. Kenneth Hill not connected with Weaver's activities. One Webster not connected instant case.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, September 16, 1935.

DETAILS:

Agent interviewed Lawrence Johnson, 446 North Beach Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, a clerk for and a brother to Gene Johnson, in Gene Johnson's Sport Shop at that location. Johnson stated that he has known the Osbornes for a period of about a year; that they on several occasions bought fishing tackle and sporting goods at the shop.

Johnson stated that on Monday, August 26, 1935, he was talking to Jack London and others about selling Osborne a gun; that London advised him that he was suspicious of Osborne; that he had seen a picture in the Post Office that resembled Osborne, and that he had always been suspicious of the Osbornes being a retired bootlegger, as he had pretended to be. Johnson advised Agent that he thought that London was joking about the matter and that night he, in company with his wife, made a trip to the Post Office to see if there really was a picture there resembling

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Osborne, finding none and he thought nothing more about the matter.

Upon being questioned about selling Osborne a gun, Johnson stated that they had in the shop an old Remington Automatic Shotgun which they had had for a period of about two years, and that on about August 16 or 17, 1935, he had loaned Osborne this gun and he liked it so well that he came back to the shop and stated he wanted to buy it, giving them $50.00 in cash. Johnson did not have a record of the serial number of this gun and nothing more than a sales slip, dated August 16, 1935, showing the sale of a gun for $50.00 cash.

Agent interviewed Jack London, 106 South Helena Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, who stated that he worked for the Florida Power and Light Company, and that his company had sold Osbornes about $1,000.00 worth of electrical equipment, and that for some reason or other he had always been suspicious of Osbornes activities in that locality and on Monday, before Osborne's apprehension on September 1, 1935, he had made a remark to Lawrence Johnson that he thought Osborne was a wanted man, having seen a picture resembling him on the bulletin board at the Daytona Beach Post Office. London stated that he did not believe his identification certain enough to warrant his reporting the matter to the police, and that the fact that no reward was offered had nothing to do with his failure to report the matter.

London corroborated Johnson's statements as to the time this matter was brought to Johnson's attention. He stated that they were in fact talking about the sale of the gun in question to Osborne when he remarked of his suspicions, and then only in a joking way.

In view of the information obtained from Johnson, corroborated by London, no signed statement was taken from Johnson as to the circumstances in connection with his possible knowledge that Osborne was identical with Weaver or wanted by authorities. It is to be noted further that the gun in question was sold to Osborne on August 16, 1935, and the conversation in regard to Osborne's true identity did not take place until August 26, 1935.

On September 18, 1935, H. C. Merritt, Inspector, Immigration Border Patrol, Jacksonville, Florida, called at the Jacksonville Bureau Office and advised that on September 17, 1935, when he was in Daytona Beach, Florida, Mrs. Pappas, who operates the "New Yorker", a bar at Daytona Beach, informed him that during the summer and until about a month ago one Kenneth Hill had been arround Daytona Beach and that when Weaver, alias J. W. Osborne, was living near Allendale, Florida, on one occasion Kenneth Hill was in her bar room when Weaver and his wife and child, Bobby, entered. Hill invited Osborne to have a drink, after which he

invited them to go for a drive; that she believes that possibly Kenneth Hill might have been connected in some way with Weaver or some members of his mob; that he had considerable money, much of it being in bills of large denomination, and that he would always have other people in Daytona Beach change the bills at the bank there for small bills; that at one time, while drunk, Hill is alleged to have stated that he formerly changed money in Cuba.

Agent interviewed Ethel Pappas at the "New Yorker Bar" in Daytona Beach, who gave practically the same information as that reported by Inspector H. C. Merritt. Upon being questioned about Hill's meeting Weaver in her bar, Mrs. Pappas admitted that she did not know that the man with the woman and child, who were greeted by Hill, was in fact Weaver, and upon being question further about the money Hill was sending to the bank to be changed, she stated that she at one time carried a $100.00 bill, obtained from Hill, to the bank for change. Upon inquiry she was advised that the money was not counterfeit.

Mrs. Pappas stated that Hill left Daytona Beach about the middle of August, 1935, and that she did not know where he had gone, where he came from, or where he resided while in Daytona Beach. Mrs. Pappas gave the following meager description of Hill:

Name	Kenneth Hill
Age	45-50 years
Height	5' 4"
Weight	About 135 lbs
Hair	Grey
Eyes	Grey
Teeth	4 upper front gold.

There being no indication that Hill was connected in any way with Weaver or members of the Karpis-Barker mob, no further investigation is being made relative to Hill's possible identity.

On October 4, 1935, Jack Ollendike, 414 North Beach Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, by long-distance telephone, advised the Jacksonville Office that he had some information concerning a man he thought was wanted by this Bureau; that this individual's name was Webster and he came to Daytona Beach on the date that Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were apprehended near that city and he thought possibly there might be some connection.

Agent interviewed Mr. Ollendike at his place of business at the above-mentioned address and he advised that Webster had arrived in Daytona Beach some time prior to August 15, 1935, and had defrauded several other business men and himself out of considerable amounts of money; that he could show no connection whatsoever between Webster and Weaver, but he thought that possibly the Bureau would like to make some investigation in Daytona Beach since this man was such a clever crook and had defrauded so many of the local citizens.

Agent explained to Mr. Ollendike that until some Federal Law was violated the Bureau did not have any investigative jurisdiction in the case and that the matter should be referred to local officials.

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November 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Denver, Colorado.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. R. Gere, dated at Denver, Colorado, July 30, 1935, in the undeveloped lead of which it is noted that a photograph of John Henry Foster, Denver Police Department No. 8390, which was taken on August 24, 1922, was forwarded to the Charlotte Office.

In view of the fact that Foster and William Elmer Meade are identical, it is requested that the Denver Office obtain a similar photograph and forward it to the Bureau immediately.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.

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November 5, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

On November 1, 1935, I advised you that Mr. Rolf Harbo of the Statistical Section had informed me that a news item had been carried in a Minneapolis paper to the effect that the Government was going to have some difficulty in removing Cassius McDonald from Detroit, Michigan, to St. Paul, Minnesota, in consequence of which the trial of Harry Sawyer and William Weaver would probably have to go forward without McDonald.

Authority having been granted by you, I called Mr. Clinton Stein, Acting Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office, at 2:45 P. M., November 1, 1935. He explained that there was no foundation for the rumor that Cassius McDonald would not be removed, and explained that the United States Attorney had recently discussed the trial date in this matter with Mr. Justice Joyce and that it was anticipated the entire matter would not be called for trial until some time during the month of January, 1936, so that any difficulties arising out of the removal of Cassius McDonald would be "ironed out" before that time.

Mr. Stein stated that Mr. Sullivan, United States Attorney, St. Paul, now intimates he would like to have William Weaver plead guilty.

Since this telephonic call, the St. Paul Office has advised that the United States Attorney and Judge Joyce have tentatively arranged to have the trial in this matter come on in St. Paul, during January, 1936.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the teletype from Mr. Ladd in the Bremer case, pertaining to the inability of Agent Turrou to understand the conversations transpiring over the telephone of the father of Alvin Karpis, which conversations had been definitely determined to be Lithuanian, I ascertained from Special Agent A. A. Muzzey, who is attending the current re-training school, that Muzzey speaks and understands conversational Lithuanian, he stating that he could understand conversations transpiring over a telephone, and accordingly Mr. Muzzey was instructed to proceed to Chicago by the first available railroad transportation. These instructions were issued to Mr. Muzzey at approximately 9:45 P.M. on November 6, 1935, and Mr. Ladd was advised that Mr. Muzzey would report in Chicago on November 7th, and further instructed to have Agent Turrou return to the New York Office.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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November 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. G. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. B. Leckie, dated at Charlotte, North Carolina, August 14, 1935, in which it is shown that the signatures of C. E. Charles and Mr. and Mrs. William Meade, who were registered at the Charleston Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina, were forwarded to the Cincinnati Office.

It is requested that these signatures be forwarded to the Bureau for appropriate comparison with the handwriting of William Elmer Meade.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
610 Alonzo Ward Hotel Building,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

November 9, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave., at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS. w.a. FUGITIVE-I.O.#1218.
HARRY CAMPBELL. w.a. FUGITIVE-I.O.#1236.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN. w.a.I.O.#1232. ET AL.
Edward George Bremer, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to report made by the writer at Aberdeen, South Dakota this date. There is being transmitted herewith enclosed in a sealed envelope, handwriting of one Dr. Robert Carville Ormiston which document may also bear latent fingerprints which should be compared with the fingerprints of Dr. Joseph P. Moran a subject in this case. Various parties in the State of North Dakota have identified Ormiston with the picture appearing on I. O. #1232 bearing the likeness of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. There is also enclosed a number of handwriting specimens of Ormiston.

It is suggested that the Laboratory examine these specimens for fingerprints and handwriting and compare with the fingerprints of subject Moran and also the handwriting of Dr. Moran.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HAMMI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc:Laboratory

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Laboratory Report

Case: BREKID Number: 7-576-7976

Specimens:

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" B. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935 - 15th to 31st" and beginning with name of Robinson, Herbert".

" C. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Lang, Raymond".

Examination requested by: Aberdeen Bureau Office

Date received: 11-12-35 (mch)

Examination requested: Document and Fingerprint

Result of examination: Examination by: appel (1)

Specimens: (Con't.)

7-576-7976 D. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Browning, Jos."

" E. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Leonards, Andrew".

" F. One record sheet bearing notation at top, "Work Sheet - August - 25 - 1935" and beginning with name of "Adams, George".
All of the above specimens are in the handwriting of one Dr. Robert Carville Ormiston,and are to be processed for fingerprints.

" G. Three blank forms bearing the handwriting specimens of Ormiston on the reverse side.

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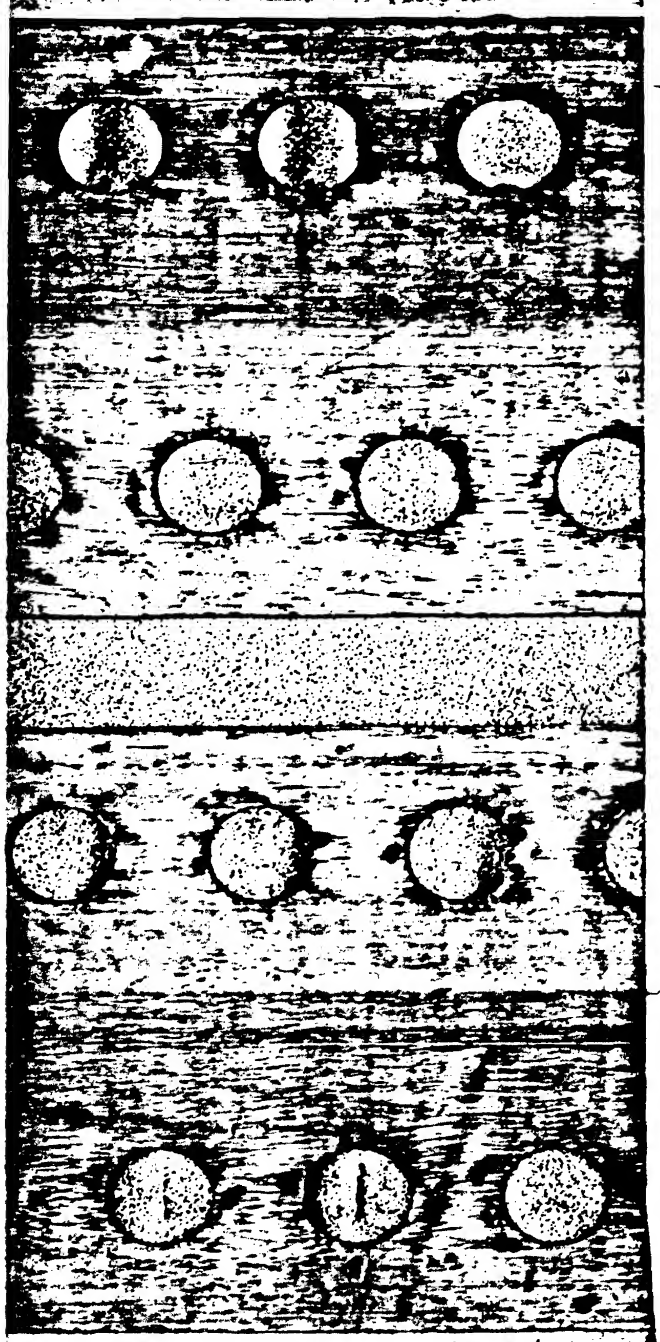

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Laboratory Report

Case BREKID Number: 7-576-7976

Specimens:
7-576-7976 A. One record sheet bearing date of "15th - 31st, August - 1935" and beginningwith name of "Adams, George".
" B. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935 - 15th to 31st" and beginning with name of Robinson, Herbert".
" C. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Lang, Raymond".

Examination requested by Aberdeen Bureau Office

Date received: 11-12-35 (mch)

Examination requested: Document and Fingerprint

Result of examination: Examination by: Mayer #2

Specimens: (Con't.)
7-576-7976 D. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Browning, Jos."
" E. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Leonards, Andrew".
" F. One record sheet bearing notation at top, "Work Sheet - August - 25 - 1935" and beginning with name of "Adams, George".
All of the above specimens are in the handwriting of one Dr. Robert Carville Ormiston, and are to be processed for fingerprints.
" G. Three blank forms bearing the handwriting specimens of Ormiston on the reverse side.

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Known - Joseph P Moran Jos

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Joseph C. Moran could easily have written the specimens reported written by one Dr. Ormiston as well as hand printed the Work Sheets.—
There are differences in writing characteristics between the known handwriting & submitted specimens, but inasmuch as the known specimens consist of one signature on I O. 1232, and handprinting & handwriting on an "Application for Adjusted Compensation" apparently filled in in 1919, a letter to the Adj. General, dated Jan 12, 1923; these differences might be new writing habits acquired in the last 12 to 15 years.—

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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	11-7-35	10-29-30-35	A. E. FARLAND B

TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239,
et al Edward George Bremer - Victim

CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Raymond Peele, register #4230, Kansas State Penitentiary, interviewed, advised has no information. Ray Larson, register #5870, U. S. Penitentiary Annex, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, would make no statement.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge J. A. Dowd, Omaha, 6-5-35.
Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, 9-26-34.
Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, 10-24-35, to the Kansas City Bureau office.

DETAILS: In accordance with instructions set out in reference letter, Special Agent A. E. Farland on 10-29-35 interviewed Raymond Peele (not Peil), register #4230 at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas. Peele advised that he had been incarcerated in the penitentiary the past eighteen months and

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had not been in contect with any of his previous associates during that time and had had no opportunity to receive any information concerning any of the remaining fugitives and that he had been employed most of the time in the mines and consequently could furnish no information of value.

Agent Farland called at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on 10-30-35 for the purpose of interviewing Ray Larson. The records at that institution reflect that Ray Larson had not been an inmate of that institution since 1930.

When interviewing convict Raymond Peele at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, he advised that Ray Larson was now serving a sentence at the U. S. Penitentiary Annex at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. At that institution Ray Larson, register #5870, was interviewed and he stated that he had no information that he could furnish the Government. He was very reluctant to answer any questions, stating that he had seventy-seven days to do and that he thought that he could do that time and wanted to be left alone; that he would not furnish any information even though he had it.

The records at the U. S. Penitentiary Annex reflect that Ray Larson had been interviewed on 9-14-34 by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, formerly of the Kansas City office, and by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. E. Farland of the Kansas City Bureau office on 9-26-34, at which time Larson advised that he had observed Karpis on the streets in Kansas City a short time prior to his incarceration, but at which time he had no definite information as to where Karpis could be located.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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November 7, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

In compliance with the request of Mr. McIntire, I am transmitting herewith twenty-five copies of the photograph as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Volney Davis, our file #FBI-400441.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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TRENTON, NEW JERSEY.	11-8-35	9/24-31;10/17-31/ 11-4/35.	N. D. WILLS

TITLE FUGITIVE; ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; DOCTOR HOWE - Fugitive with aliases, I. O. #1232 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. #1236 - FUGITIVE, etal.
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.

CHARACTER OF CASE
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Nicholas Delmore admits being in Reno, Nevada from about December 1st, 1932, to September 1st, 1933, while using the alias of Jack Howard. He denies knowing anyone by the name of Slim Burns or any Burns brothers. Delmore informs that he has not seen or heard from any acquaintances met in Reno since his return east.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent W. J. McNulty, New York City, 8-23-35.

DETAILS: AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY.

Agent interviewed Nicholas Delmore of Berkley Heights, N.J., at the office of his attorney Mr. Frederick M. Pearse, Newark, N.J. Information obtained from Delmore at this interview is as follows: that about December 1st, 1932, Delmore left for Reno, Nevada, where he registered upon arrival at the Riverside Hotel. He remained in this hostelry for a week or two and he then moved to an apartment located near the Riverside Hotel, where he remained, the address of which he was

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unable to recall, for a period of two or three months, and then moved to Jack Dempsey's house, also located in Reno. Delmore informed that he remained at Jack Dempsey's house the remainder of the time that he stayed in Reno, with the exception of the summer months, when he stayed at Lake Tahoe, his house being one that faces the number one hole on the golf course located at Lake Tahoe.

When questioned as to any knowledge of Slim Burns or any Burns brothers, Delmore informed that the only Burns that he met or knew while at Reno was a lawyer by that name, who represented Jack Dempsey's interests in Reno; that he was never closely associated with this lawyer Burns, but he had seen him several times, since he himself was staying at Jack Dempsey's hotel.

Delmore stated that Louis Larymont was fairly well known to him, since Louie operated the "Town House", a speakeasy in Reno, which place he frequented four or five times a week; that when he did frequent the "Town House", he would merely go there to drink or to meet some girlfriends, inasmuch as the "Town House" was the most popular place in Reno with the women. Also, that he met William Graham and James McKay at the "Bank Club"; that these men were partners who operated the games at the "Bank Club", and inasmuch as they would meet at this place, he grew to know them very intimately; that on occasions he would go out on parties with them, but these occasions were very infrequent.

As for other associates while in Reno, Delmore was able to name only one: a judge by the name of Bartlett and his family, consisting of a wife and daughter. As for Judge Bartlett's reputation, Delmore informed that he is a person of some prestige in and about Reno, and that he and his family are of the very highest type and so far as he knows, they are above reproach in any respect.

About September 1st, 1933, Delmore stated he returned east.

Mr. Pearse informed that for reasons that he did not wish to make known at the present time, Delmore did not return to the State of New Jersey until October 11, 1933.

It should be stated here that Nicholas Delmore and William Weisman, at the time they were in Reno, were fugitives from justice, having been indicted by the State of New Jersey for the murder of a Federal prohibition officer. Mr. Pearse represents both of these men and on frequent occasions during this interview, he advised Delmore not to answer. Delmore was advised not to answer interrogatories as: For what reason did you go to Reno, Nevada; did you use your own name while in Reno; and, particularly when asked if he knew William Golder. Mr. Pearse later explained these interruptions on his part, stating that Delmore had been acquitted of the murder charge but Weisman had not yet been tried and he did not want his client's position jeopardized. Mr. Pearse advised that he would not grant his permission for his client William Weisman to be interviewed by an Agent until he had been tried. He further stated that he thinks the indictment against Weisman will be dismissed on or about December 8th, 1935, - no reason was given for this statement.

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THE TRENTON OFFICE AT NEWARK, N.J.

Will present pictures of Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker and Doc Barker to Nicholas Delmore for the purpose of ascertaining if he knew them by a name other than Slim Burns and the Burns brothers.

Will locate William Weisman and interview him relative to his acquaintance with the Burns brothers, and ascertain the degree of intimacy that they reached, as set out in the report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, Utah, 5-21-35.

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